

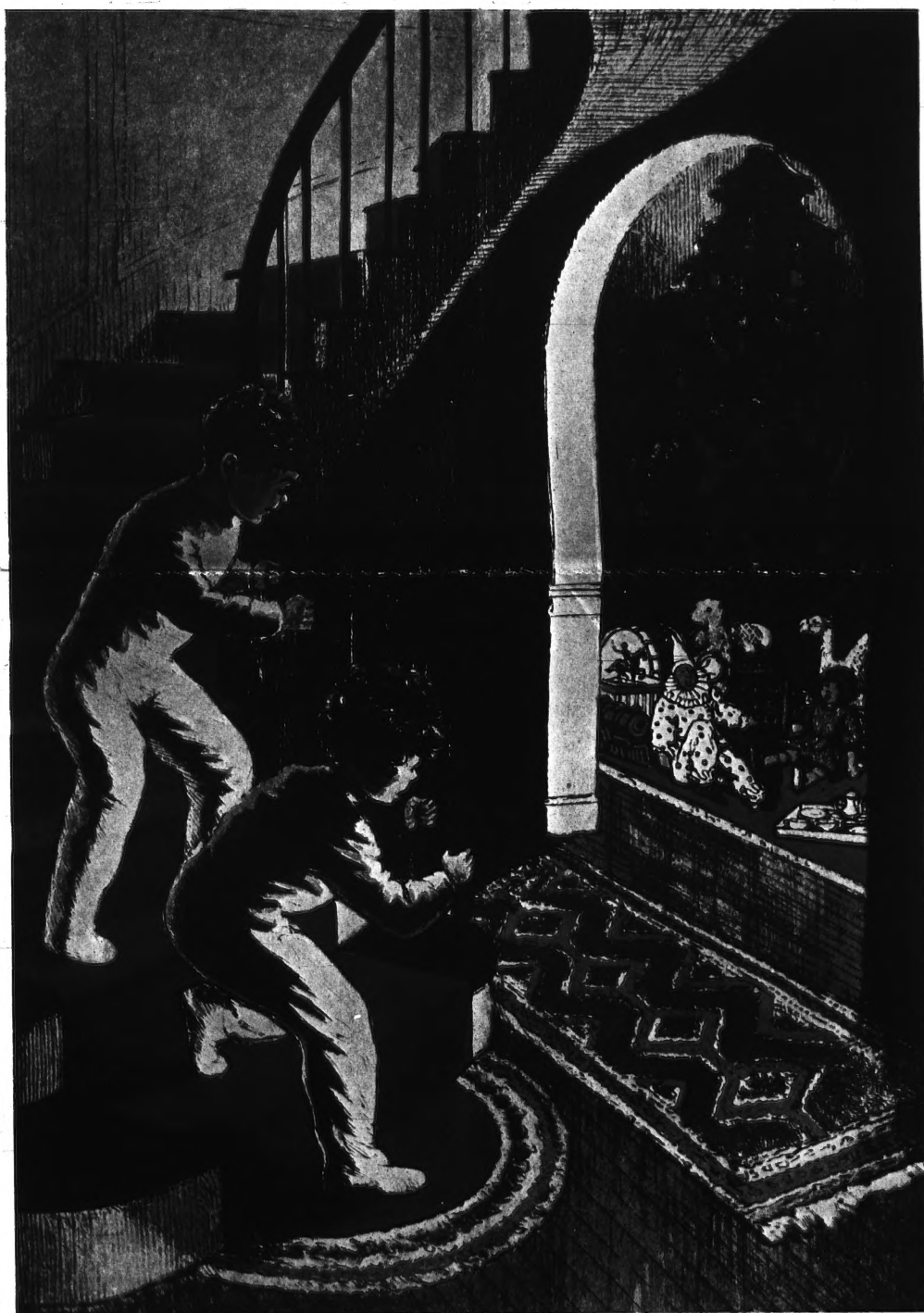
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The Vale of Avalon

CHRISTIANITY was born at Bethlehem, a tiny hamlet in Judea, near Jerusalem. British Christianity, if legend supported by a good deal of evidence can be trusted, was born at Glastonbury, a little town in Somerset, the position of which is marked by the tower crowned by a tower which can be seen for miles.

This tower rises like an island from the plain below; there can be no doubt that at one time it was an island, none other than the Isle of Avalon of the "Idylls of the King," to which the ancient British King Arthur was borne in a barge and there subsequently buried.

Standing on the top of Glastonbury Tor we can see the way Arthur came "down that long water opening on the deep," only we are standing at the landing place and not at the starting point. This part of Somerset is called the Vale of Avalon to this day. It is quite easy to see, either from the Tor or from some vantage ground on the nearby Mendips, that this vale was once an arm of the Bristol Channel which, under a western sun, can be seen gleaming in that direction.

If legend speaks truly, Arthur was not the first notable man to sail up this "long water" to the Isle of Avalon. We have to remember that the Acts of the Apostles are a mere series of excerpts from the epic of the Twelve. It is inevitable that where a biblical account is not available a legendary one steps in to supply the lack, and legend says that the Apostle Philip laboured in Gaul (modern France)



and sent Joseph of Arimathea, together with eleven helpers, across the Channel to heathen Britain.

It is said that Joseph carried with him the Holy Grail—

"The cup, the cup itself, from which Our Lord

Drank at the last sad supper with His own. . . . The good saint Arimathea Joseph, journeying brought To Glastonbury, where the winter thorn Blossoms at Christmas, mindful of Our Lord."

To this day a small eminence near the Tor is called Chalice Hill, and the copious chalybeate spring which issues from it is called the Blood Stream.



Joseph and his missionary band, it is averred, landed first on the coast of South Wales, but, being ill-used there, crossed the Bristol Channel and entered the quiet waters of what is now the Vale of Avalon, and steered for the distant but prominent island which is now Glastonbury Tor. They landed on Weary-all Hill, where Joseph, seeking a sign, struck his staff into the soil, where it budded and became the parent of the famous Glastonbury thorn which flowers at Christmas.

Basing his account on persistent legend Tennyson, says—

"From our old books I know That Joseph came of old to Glastonbury. And there the heathen prince, Arviragus, Gave him an isle of marsh-whereon to build; And there he built with wattles from the marsh A little, lonely church in days of yore."

Christmas Fare of Old

WHENEVER Christmas fare is mentioned, the turkey comes to mind; which is strange, for the bird was unknown in England in the sixteenth century and did not attain popularity until 1700. Nevertheless, in spite of this deficiency, our forefathers regaled themselves on a variety of succulent dishes of which we know nothing.

In the fifteenth century the place of the

comes from "Yeol," and though our festival is a Christian one, for hundreds of years Yule-cake, the peace offering dedicated to Thor, was eaten at every English table. Usually it was cut into slices, toasted and soaked in spiced ale. It was always made on Christmas Eve, but most of it was carefully reserved for the following day.

Christmas pudding is an old dish, being made originally in Germany. The real name was plum-quash (pflaumen-grutze), a soft, squashy mess resulting from the extraction of the juices from fresh plums, and on the Danish borderland it is still made like that. It was mixed with fine-grained barley or oats and boiled in a cloth. Later, the plums gave way to raisins, but the name still remained.

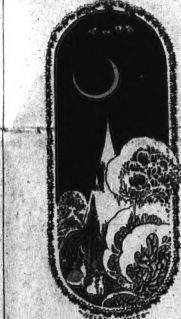
Later, white flour was substituted for oats, and butter gave way, naturally in a land of beefeaters, to suet. The custom of pouring spirit over the pudding and setting it alight is a relic of fire-worship and can be traced to our pagan ancestors. For many years it was known as "plum-porridge."

No Christmas would be complete without mince pies, and our forefathers ate them in vast quantities. They were richer than our own and originally contained minced flesh, generally beef or veal. The Puritans, incidentally, regarded them with "holy aversion," because they were so succulent. Then there were larger pies with meat as plums.

The Spirit of Christmas

Help Others to Happiness and it Will Find Its Way to You.

YOU will remember that in Dickens' Christmas Carol Scrooge was visited, in his dream, by the ghosts of Christmas Past, Christmas Present, and Christmas to Come. All three visitors helped to change his attitude to Christmas.



Our ancestors, living outdoor lives, consumed far more at a single meal than the average modern would eat in a whole day. In addition to the "beef and swine" there were always geese, capons, pheasants drenched in ambergris—which was not considered precious then—and pies of carp's tongues.

But there was one dish—neither fish, fowl, flesh nor good red herring—which was held indispensable. This was turkey (or frumenty), composed of hulled wheat, boiled in milk and seasoned. It was a dish introduced into England by the Roman soldiers, and even to-day one finds it served occasionally in the North Country.

Pagan Customs

Incidentally, partridge was never eaten,

mas and to make him into a cheery, benevolent old man, instead of a disagreeable miser.

For those of us who have always understood the spirit of Christmas the "spirit of Christmas Present" seems to be of special significance this year.

We are all talking about an "economy Christmas." Most of us, indeed, will have to cut down some of our usual expenses. We shall be forced to spend less on our dinner than at any other Christmas, on our stockings and on our gifts to each other. But we must remember that there are many who are likely to miss Christmas altogether. There are people who are out of work, with no prospects of getting any festivity at all. There are old people whose tiny pensions or savings are of less value than ever.

If each one of us would make up our minds to help just one case of hardship, we would find our own enjoyment magnified "a hundredfold." If one of our spare Christmas puddings could find its way for instance, to a home where there would not be one otherwise, how much more we should enjoy our taste of the festive dish.

We might, perhaps, send a few slices of turkey or roast beef to an old couple who might otherwise not taste such festive fare on Christmas Day. We might make up a little basket of goodness, just a few of everything taken from our own store, for children whose parents cannot give them any Christmas, this year.

Or, we may know a lonely person, almost at our own gate whom we could invite in to share our day of happiness. There are so many lonely girls living in one room, old ladies who have been left behind by life, or old men living in solitude on "next-to-nothing." How they would enjoy a day in a real family circle.

For sick and orphaned children in homes and hospitals, where charities have fallen off because of the "economy" necessities, our own children would gladly make or collect toys, sweets, picture books. Suggest that yours do just a little to make Christmas happy for some other children this year. They will love doing it, and, if the doing of it involves a little self-sacrifice, they will be learning the true Spirit of Christmas Past, Present, and To Come.

They Censored a Cracker

IN this machine age there is one industry that still relies on handicraft, and always will—the Christmas Cracker industry. Only the cutting, stamping, and fringing of the tons of coloured paper used is done by machinery; the rest is done by deft-fingered girls, most of whom learn the craft when they leave school and keep at it until they marry.

The most expert are magicians with paper. Their fingers move like lightning over a selection of different colours, and presto! there is a neatly-rolled cracker ready for ornamenting and tinseling. Some work so quickly that you scarcely see the cracker being made. One moment you see the layers of paper, the next the finished article. In between, the cracker girl has done something with a round metal stick, made two quick turns with a length of string while you blinked an eyelid. She can turn out one every few seconds.

One doubts if there is any industry which uses so many different kinds of paper of such varied colours. Only a partial list would have to include: gelatine, tissue, crepe, foil, fancy foil, paper printed foil; embossed gold paper; gold bands, borders, and beadings; litho borders, ornaments, "news reels" for centres, stiffeners, silver card, gold card, labels and decorations, box linings.

Such is the raw material out of which the girls make crackers from the simplest to the most elaborate mounted on ornamental tableaux which range from a complete jazz band to an aquarium or a Venetian gondola. And the work goes on the whole year round; they are as busy in January as in December.

At Tom Smith's Finsbury factory there will be as many as four hundred hands preparing even a year or more ahead for the Christmas festivities. You can enter this building in midsummer in the middle of a stifling heat wave and walk straight into the spirit of Christmas and the atmosphere of Dickens.

There are contacts here with far countries. Canadian forests have supplied the pulp for some of the papers; Italian quarries have provided the Venetian stone for some of the brooch ornaments; shells from remote seashores are used for decoration; some of the novelties were made by workers in Japan without sound of Buddhist temple bells. While British goods are insisted on so far as possible, the markets of the world are searched for novelties "not obtainable" in England and novelties are indispensable to the Christmas cracker.

Who would believe that there is a moral side to the manufacture of crackers? There is. We all know the famous poster of a dimpled cupid emerging from a cracker-box—indicative of the romance

attending Yuletide festivity. Poor Tom Smith was once hauled over the coals on account of that. He was told, in all seriousness, that his cupid wasn't quite decent and should be clothed or "give him legs!"

A buyer once pointed to the ballet skirt of a beautiful Carnival Queen in a box of crackers and said solemnly: "You'll have to lower that skirt a little—customers will object to it."

Once a motto was issued which lent itself to a double interpretation. Simple



Tom Smith didn't see anything wrong in it, but others did, and wrote complaining. That notorious motto is known in the firm as the "First Sol" motto. It was the only one that ever had to be censored.

Your Christmas pleasure is due when your Christmas duty is done.

Seeing is believing, so spread some of your heart's goodwill on your face.



because of those superstitious times the hoof-mark on its breast was pointed to as the print of its Satanic master; a partridge winging over one's roof was a warning that one of the inhabitants was going to die within a year!

Many English Christmas customs can be traced directly to Scandinavia, where a winter festival was held to commemorate the god Thor. The actual word "Yule"

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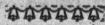
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"A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE"



DEAR FRIENDS of the Crows' Nest Pass:

This year my message to you will deal with Christ as a worker and proletarian, his character and personality. During the past nine years that I have been writing Christmas messages to you in The Enterprise, I have covered many phases of the life and mission of our Lord. When Mr. Bartlett asked me for the first message in 1926, I determined to make Christ always the chief topic of my articles.

I delved into the theological heritage of the church, and for several years wrote on Christology. Considerations of the divine personality of Jesus were developed at some length. The message of 1931, when I treated of the meaning of the Redemption, was the best of the lot. Last year I wrote on Christ's Kingship, Christ as spiritual king of mankind; this year I write of him as worker and common man.

Human society has now reached the golden age of the worker. Abuses revealed by the Price Spreads Commission seem to deny that. But those abuses are local, and are dreadful because so different from the general condition. The worker is the topic of discussion everywhere. His rights, his wrongs, his work, his unemployment, his economic security, his purchasing power, his hours of labor, his housing conditions, his claims on government are the pre-occupation of thinkers and non-thinkers, of parties and governments everywhere. The temporary solution afforded married men is called relief, and the provision made by a struggling social order for penniless, wifeless, jobless, homeless men is called slave camps. One phase of the worker's interest receiving less emphasis is the salvation of his immortal soul. Perhaps I could interest you to write of Christ, the Lord, as one of that great worker and proletarian class that now focuses the attention of the world.

In the Holy Gospels there is a lot of material to make a picture of Christ's character and mentality. There are complete details of his preaching and his doctrine. But information as to his physical appearance is meagre if not wholly lacking. We have a reference to his boyhood days. He returned to Nazareth in his twelfth years with his parents and was subject to them. Saint Luke says, "And Jesus advanced in wisdom, and age, and grace with God and men." From His childhood He was full of grace and wisdom, but the showing of these gifts was gradual and conformed to His bodily growth. To advance in grace with men is to grow to normal and well-developed manly form and character; to have good sense and what is equally important, good manners; it is to become a useful and lovable man. We may suppose that the benign countenance of Jesus reflected, as is the case with other men, an expression of His holy soul and good intelligence. Add to this that He was the offspring of a gifted and beautiful race of mankind, that He was a carpenter or woodworker by trade, or more than common intelligence and more than average education, about thirty years old at the beginning of his public life, and you have all that is known about the physical appearance of the Lord Jesus.

But the Gospels abound with information about His mind and character. The merely human side of His character is so complex and so perfect that renowned authors confess themselves unable to describe it adequately. Although raised in the little town of Nazareth, which probably had no elementary schools, Jesus could read and write. At sixteen years of age He knew enough of the Scripture to sit in the midst of the doctors in the temple, hearing them and asking them questions. It is to be supposed that this was no idle curiosity or childish prattle, for the Evangelist records it as a serious episode, and Jesus Himself refers to it as "being about his Father's business."

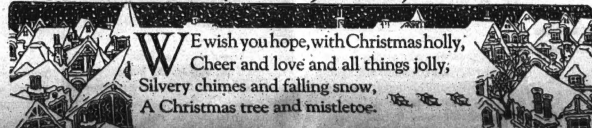
People who knew His hard life as a carpenter with his foster-father Saint Joseph, and who knew His meagre chances to get schooling in Nazareth, were astounded at his learning. Hearing Him quote and comment upon the Scripture, they exclaimed, "How doth this man know letters, never having learned." Saint Matthew says that, coming into his own country he taught them in their synagogues so that they wondered and said: "How came this man by this wisdom and miracles? Is not this the carpenter's son?"

Now God does not multiply miracles needlessly, so we may suppose that Jesus learned to read the Scripture from His foster-father and mother at home during the thirty years of His private life. Is not that a fine picture of Jesus, the worker, using his spare time to learn and improve his mind? By the tallow-candle light, near the fireplace, when the day's work was done, He learns the law and the prophets. So expert does He become in the subject, that He could give the inquiring lawyer the finest summary ever made of a vast system of law and prophecy. "On these two commandments depend the whole law and the prophets."

It is correct to speak of Jesus as really learning. The learned Jesuit, Father Mass says, "He acquired knowledge by the natural use of his faculties, just as happens in the case of common human knowledge." Holy Mother Church has had to rebuke both those who extend Christ's knowledge too far, and those who restrict it unduly. The Council of Basle condemned this thesis: The soul of Christ sees God as clearly and intimately as God perceives himself. Back in the dawn of the Christian morning, he rebuked the Monothelites for saying that Christ's human



Compliments Of The Season



mind was inactive. Between these extremes lies truth. Christ had great gifts of infused knowledge which was poured into His mind in a flood. The Scripture speaks of Him as a fount of wisdom and knowledge. Writing to friends at Laodicea, Saint Paul says, "For I would have you know what manner of care I have for you and for them that are at Laodicea... that their hearts may be comforted... unto the knowledge of the mystery of God the Father and of Jesus Christ, in whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge."

Thinkers consider the human character of Jesus under three points of view—His strength, His poise and His grace. This division is well chosen and is analogous to the architect's principles of balance, harmony, rhythm. It is also like the logicians' considerations of unity, emphasis and coherence. His strength is seen in his mode of life, in His purpose, His decision and His authority. Having become a public man of fair renown, courted by the learned and powerful, He might easily have passed up the rigors of his proletarian life. That is the common complaint of workers against their leaders. Put them in power and right away they exchange their overalls for silk pants. Ramsey McDonald and Phillip Snowden did that very thing. They said the silk pants were a concession to the king. It might have been more dignified on their part to have said: "We are working men, we speak for the workers of Britain, and with your gracious permission we will leave the silk pants for the aristocrats. But they did not say it and their silk pants became a symbol of their change of heart. Within a short time Mr. Snowden became a viscount, and Mr. McDonald quit the labor party. The strength of Jesus Christ forbade any sentimental concessions of His new position. He could say: "The birds of air have their nests and the foxes have their holes, but the Son of man has not whereon to lay his head."

His decision is seen in his rejection of compromise, humbug and inane civility. "No man can serve two masters; you cannot serve God and Mammon; seek first the kingdom of God and all other things will be added unto you." It is wonderfully shown in that twentieth chapter of Saint Matthew: and Jesus going up to Jerusalem, took the twelve disciples apart and said to them: "Behold we go up to Jerusalem and the Son of the man shall be betrayed to the chief priests and the scribes, and they shall condemn Him to death, and shall deliver Him to the gentiles to be mocked and scourged, and crucified, and the third day He shall rise again. He saw Himself betrayed, condemned, insulted, whipped and crucified; but He had strength enough to walk into it without flinching. Such was the decision of His character.

Poise is related to character much as harmony is to architecture. Poise gives self-control, a sense of proportion and a sense of humor. Jesus is credited with the gift of poise and balance above all other men, for He saw the beginning, the progress and the end of every episode

at once. We lack poise because we seldom see further than a step at a time, and we worry over things unseen.

There is poise shown when He preached his Gospel for the first time in His old home town of Nazareth. The synagogue was full of his old neighbors; people for whom He and his foster-father had worked; boys and girls with whom He had played games, and grown up with from childhood. He showed them from the prophecies of Isaiah that He was the Messiah of whom that prophet wrote.

They mistrusted the hearing of their ears and the sight of their eyes. They said: "Is not this the carpenter's son? Is not his mother called Mary... and they were scandalized in his regard. Jesus, undismayed, refused to argue with them; refused to work miracles for them, as He had done elsewhere. He told them: "A prophet is not without honor save in his own country and in his own house."

Grace of character is a lovely expression of a kindly mind. It is a beautiful way of doing the right thing. Jesus was gracious to the poor and never forgot that he was one of them. He was descended from the great King David by family and blood, but His social condition was that of a working man. He was gracious to the rich, though He could not approve the way that some of them made their money. He was gracious to sinners, though He could not condone their sins. He was gracious to the Pharisees, though He had to rebuke them sternly. He was full of understanding for the rude, hard folks that refused him to walk along the road through their country. He was gracious to saints and to sinners; to children, to mothers, to all manner of people. Saint Paul could say in after years: "Put ye on the mildness and modesty of Christ."

Jesus had a famous quarrel with the bankers of his day. After I had listened to the vibrant appeal of Mayor McGeer, of Vancouver to "drive the money changers from the temple of the government," I became more interested in the money changers and I checked them up in the records. Who were they? How much were they making? Were they dishonest? If so, how crooked were they? Did they stay out of the temple after Christ drove them out?

I wrote these questions to Rev. Dr. L. J. Kreiczewski, now of Winnipeg, who was my predecessor in the pastorate at Bellevue. Always a fine scholar, he made post-graduate studies in Rome, after leaving Bellevue, and he spent some time in the Holy Land of Palestine. Rev. Father Joseph (as he was familiarly known in the Pass) informed me as follows: The exchange traffic was in the hands of the families of the two High Priests, Annas, and Caiaphas. Dues were paid once a year in exact half-shekels of the temple. The following kinds of money were in use; Galilean, Persian, Tyrian, Syrian, Egyptian, Grecian and Roman money.

The temple revenue was about 75,000 pound sterling per year. The bankers took between 8000 and 9000 pounds sterling as their exchange profit. Their rate of discount

was 12%. They were very busy with so many kinds of money to change. From the 15th to the 25th of the Jewish month of Adar, they had branch banks in every village. After the 25th of Adar, they closed the village offices, and conducted business in the precincts of the temple until after the Passover feast days.

The Lord drove them out twice; once at the beginning of His public life, and again on Monday of Holy Week in which he was crucified. Saint Matthew mentions it briefly: "And Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the money changers, and the chairs of them that sold doves: And He saith to them, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but you have made it a den of thieves." Temple dues were not gifts. They were taxes and goods were seized if they were not paid. King Herod made a levy on the temple when he needed funds. After the death of Jesus, the money changers carried on much the same, for their service was necessary. They probably did not reduce their high rate of discount, twelve per cent. But they had an alibi which was probably an old excuse in those ancient days: trust funds for widows and orphans had to be protected. But they perhaps had more respect for the House of Prayer. Their story runneth thus: the money changers in the Temple of Jehovah.

It was a hard world for the poor in the days when Jesus trod the highroads of Galilee. Their distress was worse than any experienced among us and it was different in form. There were no industrial workers with their endless conflict for a living wage, and their conflict with an exploiting price system always tending to make a living wage into a starvation wage. Unknown was the curse of over-developed industry, with part-time work and general unemployment. The workers lived on the soil and from the soil. They were not class-conscious, nor were they striving for political power. Their grievances were poverty, taxes and foreign domination.

The lepers, the sick and the destitute had a very hard lot. There is a story in Ben Hur which shows the hardness of those times. The mother and sister contract leprosy in prison. On their release they come into the city under cover of darkness to visit their once grand and happy home. They find it closed and in ruin, and a man sleeping on the outer staircase. They recognise him as their long lost son and brother. But they dare not make themselves known. They creep close to him in the shadows and they kneel down and kiss the sole of his sandal, and then hurry away with anguished hearts to their place among the outcasts.

Jesus sympathized with the poor, the sick and the sorrowful. One of his best efforts was to comfort and encourage them. It is the sublimest of all discourses and is called the Sermon on the Mount. "Blessed are the poor in spirit... Blessed are they that mourn... Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after justice... Blessed are the merciful... Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God."

It is one of life's paradoxes that the labor and communist parties, which are proletarian movements, reject any alliance with Jesus, Divine friend of the poor, and with His institution the church. Two of the greatest spokesmen of our times for social justice have been leaders of the church. The Popes Leo XIII. and Pius XI. have stirred up a world crusade for social justice.

Why does the proletarian class show such little confidence in the labor men and communists. In this province, for sixteen years they accepted Liberal leadership. They accepted U.F.A. politicians for fourteen years, and now they have given a gargantuan mandate to the Reverend Dean of a Baptist Institute. They have not yet shown any confidence in labor or communist leadership. What does labor think of its ill success? The lesser brothers say "The bosses keep the people divided." The thinking workers (who mostly stay away from meetings) know differently.

The Labor News calls the Communists the Comical Communists. What does it find funny about them? Their leaders are enthusiastic. Mr. Harvey Murphy, Blairmore; Mrs. Nettie (Bill) Mustaka, Bellevue; Mr. Iwasak, Hillcrest, and Mrs. (Tony) Lucas, Mapleleaf, are hard working leaders. Perhaps they have attempted too much at once. It is no small task to impose on the Canadian people a social and economic system still not too successful in the fastnesses of its native Moscow. But to abolish Christianity at the same time makes the task so difficult that the whole thing takes on the air of comedy. That must be why, along with a few other things, the Labor News calls them comical.

The Divine Saviour and friend of all men sympathized with His class, the workers. But He would perform no miracle to give them control of the government. He would not replace Roman tyrants with Semitic tyrants, nor rich robbers with poor robbers, nor bourgeois with proletarian government. He adopted labor as his earthly inheritance. He gave the honest worker a patent of royalty forever. He made us all, both rich and poor, boss and worker, ruler and subject equal brothers in his kingdom, the church, in which there is neither Gentile nor Jew, Circumcision nor Uncircumcision, Barbarian nor Scythian, Bond nor Free, but Christ is all and in all. Amen.

Wishing all the compliments of the season.

R. J. DONOVAN, P.P.

Pastor of St. John's church, Calgary.
(Formerly pastor of St. Cyril's, Bellevue.)

To the Editor and Readers of The Enterprise,
Friends and all Citizens of the Crows' Nest Pass

GREETINGS!

May this Christmas bring to each of you the quiet faith and happiness of the Christmas of long ago. May good will and fellowship be enthroned in every home; may Hope grow brighter; may Poverty and Want forsake the Pass, and may Prosperity and Happiness in a fuller measure be yours throughout the coming year.

Yours faithfully,
E. O. DUKE, M.L.A.
Rocky Mountain Constituency
Camrose, Alberta, December 17, 1935.

Bill says: "Many things worth less are worthless."

Some try to claim that Bennett premised Canada during its greatest crisis. Others credit Sir Robert Borden with being in control of the most difficult period in Canada's history. But, what about Mr. Aberhart?

The local Elks will hold their twelfth annual dance-frolic in the Columbus hall on the night of New Year's Eve, Tuesday, December the 31st. The usual good time is expected—in fact, it's the biggest social event of the whole year.

George says he'll never marry a woman so long as he can buy a talking machine for \$30.

Last call for Personal Greeting Cards. Have yours printed at The Enterprise office before it is too late. Twenty-four hour service on a number of exclusive designs until December 21st. Order today.

The resignation of Rev. F. Randall Powell as rector of Christ church, Macleod, has been withdrawn. At the request of Rt. Rev. Ralph Sherman, bishop, Mr. Powell has decided to remain for an indefinite period.

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A Christmas Greeting

MY DEAR FRIENDS:

Each year an invitation is extended by "Ye Editor" to the clergy of the Pass to convey, through the pages of the Christmas number of The Enterprise Christmas and New Year Greetings. I am always grateful for any contact I may be permitted to make with the citizens of Blairmore and the other Pass towns, but never more so than at the Christmas season. With the passing of the years there comes to us an increasing realization of the worth of our friends and neighbors, and any occasion which serves to bring us together in a spirit of fellowship—anything which enables us to forget our differences and look for each other's virtues is to be welcomed.

The Christmas season is particularly a "family" affair. We delight in bringing happiness to those who are near and dear to us. And in our community life we should maintain the same family regard. At this time of the year let us realize that the things which unite us are more fundamental and of greater importance than are those things which divide us. Let us realize how much happiness we may bring to others through the common contacts of everyday life; let us realize the power there is in a smile, a handshake, and a kindly word or a deed of loving unselfish service to bring happiness to others. "Give to the world the best you have and the best will come back to you."

As we enter upon the festivities of Christmas let us keep in mind its deep spiritual meaning. Apart from the Christ-Child of Bethlehem there is no real Christmas. "Love came down at Christmas" long ago in the birth of a child, born of lovely parents and cradled in a manger. And His coming was heralded by news of peace upon earth and goodwill among men. Only the manifestation in ourselves of that spirit of self-sacrificing love to all men everywhere, beginning first by its in our own homes, then extending to our community and out to earth's remotest bounds will be effectual in bringing peace and good will among men.

Most sincerely yours,
ALBERT E. LARKE
Central United Church, Blairmore, Alta.

CHRISTMAS GIVING

Mrs. Small bought a gift
For her dear friend Mrs. Lyle;
And it was quite expensive
And modern in its style.
She paid the clerk a little more
Than she could now afford,
But hoped that in return she'd get
A vase she much adored.

Yule morning as she opened up
Her parcels, yes galore,
And exclaimed: "Well, the idea!
I paid a whole lot more
For gifts that I went out and bought.
To send my many friends,
And what on earth do I find here
But a dozen of book ends!"

And, this is how it goes on,
As year must follow year;
Our greed combined with our pride
Is costing us too dear.
Give, yes, give for the giving,
And not for our own gain;
And let the Christmas spirit
Forever more remain.—M.L.M.

HOW TO MAKE THE WORLD BRIGHT

"How bright and fair the world might
be.
Were men more often known
To try to mend—not other's faults—
But, better far, their own;
Did we but try mankind to teach
A nobler, better way,
Not merely by a formal speech,
But actions day by day.

How bright and fair this life might
be,
No more a troubled dream,
If men would live for what they are,
And not for what they seem;
Did we but garner less of wealth,
Which leads so oft astray,
And more of mind and soul delights,
That cannot pass away.

How bright and fair this world might
be,
What marvels 'twould unfold,
If men would do one half for love
That now they do for gold!
If we to truer, simpler ways
Were only more inclined,
We then should learn life's choicest
gifts
Are health and peace of mind."

The Philippine air-mail clipper has
completed its second successful trip
from Alameda, California, to Manila,
P.I.

THE CHRISTMAS CALF

(Judy Van Der Veer)
The cows are milked, the horses fed;
And nestled in the sweet warm hay,
There sleeps a little spotted calf
Born early on this Christmas day.
I found it when I came to milk,
Before the stars had left the sky;
Its mother standing over it,
With deep and watchful eye.
And though the wind outside was
cold,
The big barn's a kindly place;
I moved my lantern back and forth
To light each creature's face.

I pitched down hay and though how
good
And sweet a place a barn may be;
I heard the pigeons move about
On rafters where I could not see.

The barn was filled with sound of
wings
As pigeons wakened into flight;
And then I thought of Angel wings
Above a barn one Holy Night.

Of barns made sacred by a Child
Who came to bless all helpless
things—
(The little spotted calf slept on,
All unaware of shining wings.)

A DOG'S LETTER TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus, I'm writing you,
(No doubt you are surprised);
Because I heard no letter from
A youngster is despised.

I heard a boy across the street,
When talking with his friend,
Remark that Santa Claus is glad
To read what youngsters send.
And since I am but just a pup,
And Christmas time is near;
I'm writing here and now to you,
My plea I hope you'll hear:

For Christmas won't you bring to me,
If you have time to find,
A master honest, fair, and true,
And one who'll treat me kind?
I have no stocking to hang up,
But you will understand;
Just find a master with a heart,
Where love is in command.

Dulse, taken chiefly in the Bay of
Fundy area, contains a large quantity
of iodine. It is sold in the dried form.
It is also eaten. Ask some local
guys.

Greetings - -

To all people of all faiths and political persuasion, I wish the Most Merry Christmas of all, and may the coming year be happy and prosperous. May the very best that life can offer be yours.

ERNEST G. HANSELL, M.P.

Vulcan, Alberta, December 19, 1935.

Dr. Blair, a graduate of Toronto University, is assisting Dr. McEwen at Coleman during the absence of Dr. Borden. Dr. Blair is a brother of Dr. J. H. Blair, of Michel, B.C.

A report to the daily press quotes Judge A. M. MacDonald heard 179 The Gap as being twelve miles north of Blairmore. In fact, as the flies it is nearer 25 miles, and the man in the past year, a larger number than Gatto was located more than twelve hells judicial district was established miles north of that. in 1926.—Drumheller New Review.

May the New Year bring you Prosperity and
this Christmas be a Merry one.

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Don't Forget to vote for your favorite Boy and Girl in the Prize Contest. Over 100 Entrants
 Winners in the Boys' and Girls' contest be sure and be at the Store to receive your prizes at 10 o'clock Christmas morning.
 List of Winners will be posted at 10:30 o'clock Christmas Eve.

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All the statesmen have to do to be popular is to produce a tax that nobody pays and a pension that everybody gets.

We haven't seen very many Christmas trees coming to town. No doubt at the last minute you will see parties gathering them from Tim Buck's boulevard.

The Natal-Michel colliery brass band, after more than a year's lay off, has been re-organized, with Bandmaster F. Bodsworth in charge.

Inspector W. J. Moorhead, in charge of the Weyburn and Yorkton divisions of the R.C.M.P., has retired after twenty-five years of service with the force.

Only 4 More Shopping Days

Get Your Toys and Gifts Now while the Variety is Good. Don't wait until the Best are Gone.

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R. C. Old, Manager Phone 142 Blaimore, Alberta

Whoop! at the Elks' 12th annual dance-frolic Columbus hall, New Year's Eve.

Rural telephone subscribers in the Cowley-Lundbeck district entered upon a twenty-four-hour service on Sunday.

Mrs. K. Simpson arrived in town on Sunday night's train to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Tompkins.

Rt. Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie King celebrated his 61st birthday on Tuesday.

The closing of the deer season saw quite a number of local district niners returning Saturday with trophies of the hunt.

W. A. Vaughn, local district agent for the Western Grocers, Lethbridge, leaves today to spend Christmas with his mother at Wolfville, Nova Scotia.

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THE BLAIRMORE GREENHOUSE

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Almost two million trout fry and eggs—cut-throat, hybrid and Kamloops—were deposited in lakes and streams of East Kootenay during 1935.

Whether or not Aberhart is interested in Saskatchewan and British Columbia, his liquor advertising ban would be doing publications in these neighboring provinces an exceptionally good turn.

A charge of vagrancy was preferred against one Patrick Lenihan at Michel. An appeal was allowed by Judge Thompson. S. Hercher appeared for the accused.

Miss Margaret Dunlop, primary teacher at the Cameron school, Coleman, won the \$100 scholarship offered by the I.O.E. for the best essay on "The Teaching of Children of Foreign-Born Parentage."

CY LEARNED HIS LESSON**ALRIGHT; KNOWS WHERE****HE'LL SHOP THIS YEAR**

(From St. Mary's Journal-Argus)

This year I'm going to do my Christmas shopping at home. No matter how tight money gets, we try to persuade old Santa to bring a few knick-knacks for the kids. I haven't made any cash this season but, as the fellow said, I've been losing it slower. I don't think that when I hit the home town the merchants will think another boom has started. But I'll be frittering some coin right here in the environs. I've got reasons.

"Say," says Ed. Stickey one day late last December, "I'm driving down to the big city this morning. Likely you've got some Christmas buying to do. Come on along; it won't cost you anything and you can get stuff a sight cheaper there."

Like a fool I listened to him. I changed my clothes, climbed into his car and away we went. It was all a big mistake.

We'd been going about half an hour when it began to snow and we could not see more than twenty feet ahead. Then Ed's old boiler began to smoke; he'd forgotten to put oil into her. At a garage he discovered he had no money with him, only a cheque, and the fellow there would not cash it. I bought the oil.

Laugh Was on Me

By noon, what with the slow going on the slippery roads and everything we were only about half-way. The inner man was setting up a mighty clamour for victuals. Mr. Editor, the go-called roast beef sandwiches at some of these road-side joints would have been an insult to a starving Armenian. They handed them out in a gooley, luke-warm gravy that's paler and more anaemic than Gandhi ever was after a bout of hunger striking. The slices of bread properly served with the troops overseas, and the meat was so thin and hard that a man could shave with it. I think the coffee was alright, but I was so cold by that time that a slug of hot rye would have been welcome. Well, the lunch and the laugh was on me. Bang went seventy cents and we were off again.

Ed had some business at the stock yards away in the north west corner of the city. We reached there in the middle of the afternoon and I took a street car down town. I'm not going to say a word here about that painful trip; how I got tangled up on one of those new one-man cars; got carried past where I wanted to change; forgot to get a transfer and had to pay another fare. I felt as much at home as would a cow on skates and I got down to the big stores, at last and then discovered I'd come away without the list of things I aimed to buy—and the sizes.

I didn't know my way around, so I hurried up to a fellow who was behind the counter and did not have on a hat or coat, but he was wearing a pretty broad grin.

"How are you, Si?" he greets me before I could say a word.

"I'd like to get some Christmas presents," I explained.

"See Santa Claus up in the toy department," he suggests. "Have you written him a letter?"

"Say!" I comes back, starting to get sore, "I want to buy some things for the wife and kids. Where..."

"You and me, brother. But what'll we use for money?"

"Are you a floorwalker here?" I demanded, haughtily.

"Why no, Si," he cackles. "I work over at the City hall. Just stepped in here to waste some time!" And the wise guy ducked away before I could wallop him.

Was I Comfortable?

In about an hour the store would close and I had to rush around some. I tell you, they had the place hot as an incubator, and I was wearing my faithful old dog-skin coat. I've been lots more comfortable in a haymow at noon in July. I went up in elevators and down on escalators. No matter what floor I was on, the thing I wanted to buy next was always somewhere else. Pretty soon my pockets

A BIG OFFER!

Those who contemplate spending the long winter evenings at home reading, or who are looking for a real literary bargain, should acquaint themselves with a subscription offer opened recently by The Enterprise.

For the sum of three dollars, you can receive The Enterprise for one year (regular subscription rate being \$2.00), and in addition three magazines which can be chosen from the following list of seven: Current Thought, The Nor-West Farmer, Country Guide, Canadian, National Home Monthly, Pictorial Review and Canadian Horticulture and Home Magazine. So that, for the small amount of three dollars you receive your local weekly newspaper and three magazines for one year. For your convenience, a coupon is included in the announcement found on another page.

and arms were full of truck; but my purse was empty. So I had to write a cheque and have some stuff sent. I was bumped and pushed and given dirty looks whenever I happened to contact somebody with the pair of skis or the wooden 'pail I was toting. My feet and head ached and I felt more homesick than Robinson Crusoe ever did.

Closing time came and I staggered out into the street. The only part of the whole trip that came off according to plan happened then. Ed was waiting at the place we'd agreed. I reckoned a strong man, but I was so glad to see him I could have cried on his shoulder.

Judging by the prices he asked, the bird who ran the restaurant where we went for supper must have thought that Mr. Bennett had inflated the currency. A simple pair of pork chops cost so much that you'd expect a butcher hog was worth its weight in silver. When I got home I caught my self removing my cap next time I went into the pig-pen.

On the return trip the wheeling was worse than it had been in the morning. We crawled along. I've heard it said that you never have too much trouble in cold weather. Don't you believe it. We had a fat tire a few miles from the city. Fixing it, my hands got so numb that if I'd had to depend on the sign language I'd have been speechless for two days. Ed was feeling a mite crusty too and the things he said could never have been expressed by mere finger waving. When we'd finished, he flung the jack into the back of the car. There was a sickly, crunching noise, and I didn't have to look to find out that a china dolly had taken it on the chin.

Destroyed the Evidence

About midnight we were starving again so I broke out the big wooden bucket of chocolates I'd got at a bargain. We munched on them, but only got about ten miles to the gallon of candy, and pretty soon they were all gone. I heaved the empty container overboard, so no questions would be asked in the house.

Well, even the jolliest joy-ride must come to an end. There was a notable absence of Christmas caroling; nary madrigal rang out upon the frosty early morning air as Ed and I wobbled into the old homestead and started trying to thaw out. There's been a kind of coolness between him and me ever since.

Come Christmas, I wasn't very popular around our ranch. It took some explaining to the madam as to why I'd got her a dress size forty-eight instead of thirty-two, and dark brown instead of pink. Little Jenny was right put out with old Santa for leaving a cracked dolly and a letter, saying he'd bring another one later.

It appeared that one of Johnny's new skis was half a foot longer than the other. This started an interesting correspondence with the store. We got the matter adjusted by August. Some of the parcels arrived in good time for New Year's day. It was an expensive, but not altogether merry Yuletide.

I'll be doing my shopping early and at home this year. See you then.
 CYRUS SOWTHISTLE.

MRS. LENA BROWN PASSES

Mrs. Lena Brown, sixty-three years of age, wife of John R. Brown, 3040 Seventh Avenue west, Calgary, passed away on Sunday afternoon at her home, following a lengthy illness.

In 1900 the late Mrs. Brown came to Canada, and for the past fifteen years has resided in Calgary. Besides her husband, she is survived by two sons, John W., of San Francisco, and Walter L. in Edmonton; a daughter, Caroline, in Calgary; her mother, Mrs. C. Keey, of Leavenworth, Kansas, and five brothers and one sister in United States.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown were former residents of Frank and Hilcrest, Mr. Brown holding the position of mine manager. From The Pass they moved to the Edmonton district many years ago.

Following funeral service on Monday next, the remains will be forwarded to Leavenworth for interment.

MISS NEUMAN LEAVES FOR THE EAST

Miss Isa Neuman, R.N., left on Tuesday, en route to Niagara Falls, where her marriage to Mr. Theodore Dillmer will take place at the home of the bridegroom-elect's aunt.

Miss Neuman was feted before leaving Blaimore, where she has been in charge of the hospital for several years, by the ladies of the I.O.D.E. and the girls of the C.G.I.T. Her mother, Mrs. T. P. Neuman, was her guest for nearly a week in Blaimore before she returned home. En route to her new home, Miss Neuman will go the roundabout way of Edmonton, saying bye-bye to her brother "Gus," who is attending Oids Agricultural School, and spending two days with her sister, Miss Helen, who is in training at the Royal Alexandra Hospital.

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Speaking at Toronto, C. C. Knowles, editor of the Toronto Evening Telegram, remarked: "We laugh at Aberhart with his fantastic policy of Social Credit. His technique is no doubt faulty, but the basis of his argument is sound. Our modern civilization has laid too much stress on material things to the neglect of those factors in man which are vitally important if our civilization is to endure."

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Boned and Rolled Beef Roast	Lb 15c
Pork Leg, whole or half	Lb 18c
Pork Shoulder Roast	Lb 16c
Pork Sausage	2 lbs 35c
Pork Spare Ribs	2 lbs 25c
Pork Loin	Lb 22c
Lamb Chops or Loin Roast	Lb 18c
Lamb Leg	Lb 23c
Shoulder Lamb, whole only	Lb 9c
Stewing Lamb	4 lbs 25c
Veal Round or Loin Roast	Lb 18c
Rump Roast	Lb 7c
Boned and Rolled Roast	Lb 15c
Garlic Sausage	5 lbs 50c
Blood Sausage	2 lbs 25c
Bologna, by the piece	Lb 15c
Campbell's Tomato Juice	4 tins 25c
Pure Red Plum Jam	4-lb tin 45c
Tea, bulk	Lb 35c
Rogers' Corn Syrup	5-lb tin 45c
Pork and Beans	3 tins 25c
Nonsuch Floor Wax	Tin 20c
Campbell's Tomato Soup	3 tins 25c
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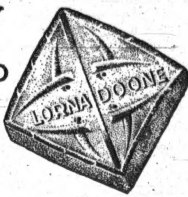
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The Battle Against Drought

Man's efforts to control the mighty forces of nature are at the best puny and can be of little avail, but man can harness these forces to some extent and utilize them to his own advantage by working with instead of against nature.

This general principle is understood and is being used in the war against drought and its resultant evil, soil drifting, in the three prairie provinces by the board of agricultural and engineering experts of the federal and provincial governments and universities which has been set up under the Federal Prairie Farms Rehabilitation Act and which is just completing its first year's work of a five year plan.

Comforting words were uttered by Dr. E. S. Archibald, Director of Experimental Farms, Ottawa, chairman of the Advisory Board created to administer the Act, at a week's conference of the Board and its five subsidiary committees in Regina recently when he announced, as the conclusion of one of the committees, that "soil drifting can be cut down to the absolute minimum." This was supplemented later by a report of the water conservation committee that its work "will increase the visible supply of water for prairie livestock by 30 or 40 times."

Proceeding on the sound basis enunciated in the opening paragraph, and fortifying its efforts by applying the principle of co-operation, the Advisory Board and its subsidiary committees are on the high road to the goal of a measurable success in its efforts to devise and put into effect ways and means to ameliorate the disastrous effects of future drought periods on the western plains, provided the organization is not impeded by niggardiness in the provision of the necessary ammunition—money—to bring its work to a successful conclusion.

In this connection it should be pointed out that the Federal government appropriated \$750,000 for the first year's work and agreed to vote a million a year for the ensuing four years of the programme. The demands for practical assistance involving monetary outlay are already very substantial. Some of the schemes requested may be practical and some may not. Some may be too expensive for the potential benefits and it remains yet to be demonstrated whether a million a year will be sufficient to carry out the gigantic task, even if the Board's efforts are confined to the most economic and most efficient of the numerous projects which have been and are being put forward.

The Board and its committees appear to be tackling their big problem in a workmanlike manner. From the information available to date it would seem that personal and professional jealousies, if any existed, have been relegated to the background and that all the members are working harmoniously with a single eye on the objective to be achieved. This is as it should be and is a matter for sincere appreciation.

One of the factors which will largely determine the success or failure of the plans and projects under way or under consideration is the matter of co-operation—co-operation between the governments involved and their servants, and co-operation between the Board and its committees on the one hand and the farmers in whose interests they are working, on the other.

This, it may be remarked, has been recognized and emphasized and this augurs well for beneficial results. In some of the districts which have been established for projective work and experimental undertakings farmers have set up local organizations to work hand in glove with the scientists, and where this is being done, maximum benefits should be obtainable.

In Saskatchewan assurance has been given by the provincial minister of agriculture that, so far as his government is concerned, there will be co-operation with the federal organization, in the administration and operations of the new provincial Land Utilization Act which sets up machinery to arrange for evacuation of land unfit for farming and which perhaps never should have been devoted to grain growing, and for its use for grazing purposes together with plans for improvement of such lands in districts where circumstances appear warranted.

With the impetus of several years of soil drifting and ruined crops behind them as a driving force, farmers are turning to the Board and its committees with open arms. This is demonstrated by the large number of applications received by the water conservation committee alone. Requests for dams and ditches and irrigation projects, mostly small individual schemes, but including a scattering of larger community projects have been received by the committee to the number of 4,615 in the three provinces. From Saskatchewan points the committee has received requests for 840 small schemes and 40 large projects.

A considerable number of small projects have already been completed and the beneficial effect of their existence will be reaped for the first time with the run-off of water in the spring of 1936.

Reference might be made to other branches of work being developed and proceeded with by other committees, such as plans for tree planting, examination of cultural methods, consideration of moisture conservation under varying soil conditions, but space prohibits more than passing notice at this time. Suffice it to say that all these angles are being carefully studied by the several committees in charge.

The whole scheme is by far the most ambitious attempt yet made to solve the greatest problem confronting agriculture in the west. The best trained minds available are at work on it and there is every reason to believe that with the co-operation already referred to a substantial measure of success will be achieved.

Gifts Still Arriving

Jubilee presents still continue to reach the King and Queen at Buckingham Palace. The latest to arrive, reports the News of the World, is a magnificent silver shield from a group of Chinese bankers, which bears in two vertical columns an inscription recording the occasion of the gift, and expressing wishes for "long life in perpetuity" for Their Majesties.

It is said that whooping cough is the most contagious of all childhood diseases.

PATENTS

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More Oats And Barley

Canada's wheat production for 1935 is now placed at 273,871,000 bushels or two millions below the 1934 figures. Oats have yielded 416,369,000 bushels or about thirty per cent. above 1934. Barley made a gain of 38 per cent. amounting to 87,512,000 bushels.

Badly Broken Up

Ernest Gardner, 16-year-old Buckinghamshire, Eng., youth, has suffered seven breaks of his left arm, six fractures of his right leg, one fracture of his right arm, a fracture of one collarbone, and a fractured left leg, all due to brittle bones.

A larger percentage of water is contained in strawberries than in milk.

Railway Problems

Dr. Tory Tells How Mistakes Have Been Made

The taking over of railroads and not taking over the land settlement schemes which had paralleled them was one mistake in Canada's handling of the railway problem, Dr. H. M. Tory, Canadian educationist and scientist, told the Canadian Club in Vancouver.

"Had we spent half the money we have spent on railways debates in promoting national land settlement schemes, by now the railways would have been self-supporting," he said. Dr. Tory defended the building of railways, but regretted the way it was done in many instances, though he still believed they were one of the country's greatest assets.

"The wrong was in the way it was done," he said. "We allowed railroad builders, with practically no study of the country requirements, to build where they thought they could reap the richest harvest for themselves."

"The result is that there are railways where they are not wanted and places that want roads have not got them."

"The second difficulty is, when we started road building we paralleled our roads with land settlement schemes, so that the roads became pioneers of settlement. Then when we found ourselves in deep water we took over the roads and abandoned the land settlement plans."

Radium For Ontario Government

Receive Delivery Of Three And A Half Grams Of Great Bear Lake Product

Delivery of three and a half grams of radium produced in the Great Bear Lake district, has been made to the Ontario government for use in Toronto General hospital cancer clinic, Hon. Dr. J. A. Faulkner, minister of health, announced recently.

The radium replaces the same quantity the government has been renting from New York. The price paid for the Canadian element was \$42,800 a gram.

In March, 1934, the previous government rented from a New York firm four grams of radium for the Toronto hospital "bomb." At the end of the first year the government exercised its option to buy one-half gram. Since last March the hospital continued to hold three and a half grams in a rental "bomb," but last March that amount will be returned to New York and replaced by the Canadian supply.

Ambrose Small Case

Ontario Government To Reopen Investigation Into Mystery

The Ontario government will reopen investigation into the disappearance of Ambrose J. Small, Toronto theatre magnate, in 1919, it was learned recently. Attorney-General Reboeck, was reported, communicated to Ottawa with Patrick Sullivan, investigator acting on behalf of sisters of Small, and told him Senior Solicitor W. B. Common would interview him and the Misses Small to ascertain what evidence they have. Sullivan declared his evidence will throw light on several angles of the case, and will include letters sent to the Misses Small by friends of Mrs. Small, indicating Small's disappearance was expected in some quarters.

Drove Of Caribou

Held Up Motorist On Trans-Canada Highway Near Rennie, Manitoba

To be held up by a big drove of caribou crossing the Trans-Canada highway, near Rennie, was the experience of a motorist going to Kenora from Winnipeg. He estimated there were about two hundred and fifty animals in the herd on their way south. They appeared to be in first class condition.

Caribou used to be fairly numerous in the district 30 or 40 years ago, but since then only a occasional one has been met with.

ROUGH HANDS FROM SOAP AND HOT WATER?



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Food For Thought

Germany Building Up War Machine Greater Than Kaiser's

Cabing from Berlin, Frederick T. Birchall, English-born correspondent of the New York Times, and ablest of journalistic observers in Europe, writes of the "sensation among all classes of the population" caused by the latest act of the German Government. The act, briefly, summoned to the colors all classes of 1913 and 1916.

Watching Mussolini in Ethiopia, the world may well give a thought to this.

For what it means, as Birchall points out, is that Germany's male population is being wrought into a huge military machine; a war machine greater than anything ever possessed by the Kaiser.

Successively, as they reach years of usefulness, the millions of the Reich are to be catalogued and classified for such purposes as the state may determine. In addition to the actual standing army and reserve, there will exist for Germany in the future another army of millions which on the outbreak of war or in any other emergency can become a military reality. It is the beginning of that system of a nation in arms which Nazi ideology dwells so much.

This, seventeen years after the Armistice, is a devastating thing. Just recently we had France, the greatest military nation in the world, proclaiming that her army now is inferior to that of Germany; and meanwhile Germany goes on building a mighty air force, fashioning warships and submarines.

In Ethiopia are the legions of Italy. In the East exists the new threat of a mighty Japanese empire carved out of North China. But these things, arresting as they are, and perilous, pale before what goes on to-day beyond the Rhine.

To Aid Working Man

New Zealand Government Makes Move To Restore Wages

New Zealand's labor government was sworn into office. Prime Minister Michael J. Savage said its first task would be to improve the lot of the unemployed. The next move would be to restore the wage levels prevailing in industry and the civil service before economy cuts were introduced by the National government in 1931.

The prime minister said he intended to get in touch with those who control the Dominion's financial system, including the reserve bank, in order to make available the country's real resources for national development.

"We shall have to find the resources," he declared. "We shall not follow the old ideas of continuously borrowing abroad and adding to the public debt."

W. H. T. Armstrong, minister of labor, said the cabinet intended to introduce a statutory minimum wage for both men and women, leaving an arbitration court to determine rates above the level.

Women Flyers

Every Bit As Capable As Men, Says B.C. Instructor

Harold Wilson, of the Aero Club of British Columbia, rated one of Canada's leading instructors, differs with an opinion attributed to Kenneth Main, Toronto flying club instructor, that women make poor aeroplane pilots.

"Maybe eastern girls are different but we have always found that other things being equal, women who take up flying for sport are every bit as capable as the men," Mr. Wilson said.

"It must be borne in mind, however, that the industry offers little outlet at present for lady pilots other than for their own satisfaction." The instructor said women suffer because of poor judgment of distance and speed.

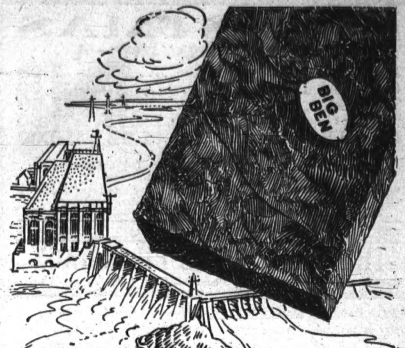
Zuyder Zee Renamed

Mighty Dyke Effacing Memory Of Holland's Inland Sea

The Zuyder Zee has almost gone, and it has already changed its name. It is now the IJssel Meer, and the mighty dyke and the reinforcing pumps are effacing the memory of the old inland sea of Holland.

Much has still to be done before the Zee is a mere outlet for the rivers that flow into it, controlled by huge sluices, but already an area which five years ago was under water has been sufficiently cleared to grow crops and support two villages built on it.

All you have to do to convince yourself that women are prettier now is to look at an old picture of a woman with her hair wound in a knot.



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Melt chocolate in double boiler. Add butter, sugar and half cup sour milk. Mix well, then beat in eggs one at a time. Add sifted flour, baking powder, soda and salt, alternately with remaining half cup of sour milk and vanilla. Beat well and bake in layer cake tins in moderate oven from 25 to 30 minutes.

Frosting
1 1/2 cups sugar
1/2 cup water
2 eggs (whites)
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 teaspoon lemon juice
1/2 teaspoon salt

Boil sugar and water until it forms a soft ball in cold water, or until it spins a thread. Add slowly to beaten egg whites, and continue beating until it is of consistency to spread. Add flavoring and cover cake, decorating with grated chocolate and walnuts.

The Oldest Horse

Lived To Age Of Sixty Two According To Records

According to R. A. Brown, secretary of the National Horse Association, the oldest horse of which we have a reliable record is old Billy, who died in Cheshire 100 years ago at the age of 62. His skull is said to be preserved at Manchester University.

Another famous veteran was Paramatta, an Australian horse, who was 53 when he died in 1874. Tommy, a Welsh pony, made regular rounds of the villages with a fruit basket until he died at 52. Among four-legged "old soldiers," a Crimean War pack-horse lived to 49. And Mick, who was foaled in 1888, and was a cab-horse in Hull for 25 years, was still alive a year or so ago.—London Answers.

May Tax New Bank

Premier Hepburn said he considers Ontario is entitled to impose a corporation tax on the Central Bank of Canada. "We regard it as a private institution and as such liable to a corporation tax," he stated.

Worry retards recovery from broken bones and diseases, and causes pain and illness, tests have shown.

Employment Increases

But Cost Of Relief Seems To Be Unchanged

Employment in Canada has reached the highest level since December, 1930, but relief costs have not moved correspondingly downward and there are still more than 1,000,000 Canadians in receipt of direct unemployment relief, according to an estimate of current trends released by the Canadian welfare council.

Extensive public works have contributed to the favorable employment trend in recent months, the welfare council asserts, while these in turn have stimulated activity in private business.

From the 1935 peak of 1,230,000 persons on direct relief last February, the number decreased to 1,100,000 estimated in the late autumn reports received by the council from relief departments and social agencies in the nine provinces. This compares with 1,150,000 estimated at this time last year, a drop of approximately 50,000.

An attempted comparison of these figures must, however, take into account, the council said, the fact that some 80,000 persons on relief last year in the drought areas of Saskatchewan have been removed from relief lists.

Consequently "it seems possible that there has been a more disturbing enlargement of the socially dependent in the urban and industrial centres within recent months than a first glance would indicate. This, together with mounting costs, suggests that the unemployment and employment relief problem has not lost but rather increased in seriousness in the past 12 months. The wider introduction of cash relief in many centres, without prior reorganization or adequate investigation and supervision services, appears to have added to the costs and the numbers on relief in certain areas."

Gift For Scouts

The silver-gilt push-button used by King George to light the Jubilee Scout Beacon in Hyde Park has been presented by His Majesty to Imperial Scout Headquarters. The stand bears the inscription: "Presented by King George V. to the Boy Scouts to commemorate the lighting of the bonfire in Hyde Park on May 6th, 1935."

Coal Over-Estimated

Sir Montague Barlow, British coal expert and one-time Labor minister of the United Kingdom, who has been in Alberta, said the western province's coal resources had been over-estimated, although "it isn't a problem that's going to affect anyone for the next 100 years."

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SAYS CANADA IN DANGER OF LOSING GRAIN MARKETS

Toronto.—Sir Francis Floud, British high commissioner to Canada, in an address to the Commerce Club of the University of Toronto, gave three reasons why "Canada is in serious danger of losing the British and European grain markets."

Following are the reasons cited:

1. The spread in price between Canadian wheat and Argentine wheat.

2. The growing demand in Great Britain for "fancy breads" which are composed of 90 per cent. Argentine "soft" wheat and 10 per cent. Canadian hard wheat.

3. The falling population of the civilized countries of the world.

"The normal spread between Canadian and Argentine wheat has greatly increased," said Sir Francis. "In 1933 the spread was two and 3-10 pence, compared with the present spread of 10 pence."

"He added that England purchased 16 per cent. of her wheat supply from Argentina in 1932, compared with 27 per cent. in 1933 and 1934. "British millers," he added, "are not adopting a hostile attitude toward Canadian wheat, but they are simply buying their supplies on the cheapest market."

The high premium on Canadian wheat is disastrous to Canada in the foreign market, said Sir Francis.

"I am sorry to say this, gentlemen, but the outlook for Canada as an agrarian nation is both bleak and difficult, and until economists solve the present baffling international trade problems, the future for Canadian wheat is a very serious problem."

"In recent years the proportion of Canadian wheat taken by Britain has steadily declined, and as the situation now stands much less Canadian wheat will be purchased by England."

Sir Francis said that while the population of Great Britain, France, Italy and the United States showed a total increase of 120,000,000 in the past 30 years, it would show a decrease of 1,000,000 in the next 30 years. This decrease in population would result in a two per cent. reduction in world food consumption in the next 10 years and a further five per cent. reduction from 1946 to 1956.

"The bread consumption will drop even lower," said Sir Francis, "for when the standard of living is raised less bread is eaten."

Oats, the British commissioner said, will be purchased by England mainly from Scotland in the future.

Sir Francis said apples, canned fruit, butter, cheese, eggs and bacon, would likely find an expanding market in Great Britain.

Interest For Farm Loans

Question Of Reduction Considered At Conference In Ottawa.

Ottawa.—General revision of grants to fall and winter fairs is provided for in the report of the agricultural committee of the Dominion-provincial conference it was learned. In view of general lower interest rates, the lowering of the five per cent. rate by the Canadian Farm Loan Board has also been urged. Complaint was also made there was too much delay, in making loans after the applications were received.

A committee on which each province will be represented will meet in Ottawa, probably early in the new year, to work out a new basis of fair grants to avoid any overlapping.

Suggestions will be made to remedy situations where gaps occur and neither the Dominion nor the province concerned cover the field.

Uniform Company Laws

Matter Will Come Up At Next Session Of Parliament

Ottawa.—Uniform company laws for all provinces will be drawn up by a committee of Dominion and provincial officials for presentation to the next session of parliament, as a result of action taken by the Dominion-provincial conference committee on constitutional amendments.

Under the chairmanship of Hon. Ernest Lapointe, minister of justice, the committee adopted the following resolution:

"That the secretary of state convene a committee of appropriate officials of the Dominion and provinces to prepare a draft new act or amendments to the present act for the purpose of securing uniform laws dealing with companies throughout Canada."

Immigration Policy Changed

Dominion Government Decides To Remove Limitation Is Report

Montreal.—A step in the direction of letting down the bars against European immigration has been taken by the Dominion government. The Gazette says in a despatch from its Ottawa correspondent.

The paper continues: "In the past two or three years the Canadian Pacific Railway and the Canadian National Railways have each been permitted to bring to Canada 50 families from central Europe who are financially equipped and prepared to go on Canadian farms."

"Hon. T. A. Crerar, minister of immigration, after a discussion with the transportation companies has, it is understood, decided to remove the limitation, but it is believed that this will not result in any flood of European farm immigrants, for the transportation companies have indicated that even with the barrier gone they will not be able to bring more than 100 families each."

"While unemployment is prevalent throughout the Dominion it is extremely unlikely the government will facilitate the movement of Europeans to this country to seek employment wherever available, but the present policy of confining immigration to those from central and northern Europe who are fit for agriculture will be continued until there is a marked improvement in industrial activity."

Amend B.N.A. Act

All Provinces Said To Be In Agreement For Change

Ottawa.—All the provinces are said to be in agreement that new provisions should be made to amend Canada's constitution, the British North America Act, it was learned here. A sub-committee of the Dominion-provincial conference is wrestling with the problem under the chairmanship of Hon. Ernest Lapointe, minister of justice.

It was stated semi-officially a great deal of unanimity had been reached in the discussions and that "Quebec has gone a long way" in favor of changes, but was firm in its former position that nothing should be done to endanger minority or provincial rights.

Quebec's suggestion is understood to be that on a definite list of questions, the act might be amended by the Dominion parliament when it had the sanction of say two-thirds of the provinces. On all other questions the unanimous approval of the provinces would be required.

Will Receive Consideration

Civic Heads Think Ottawa Should Assume Cost Of Relief

Ottawa.—Civic heads representing the Dominion mayors' conference who came to Ottawa for the Dominion-provincial party conference at an informal meeting to return to their homes.

Their decision followed individual interviews with Dominion and provincial members of the unemployment and financial committees, who gave the assurance that the financial plight of municipalities in the matter of relief would be given serious consideration.

It was understood the two Dominion-provincial conference committees considered there was no necessity for the majority representatives to appear before them.

The mayors offered their assistance to the two conference committees as a follow-up to the proposal they placed before Prime Minister King and provincial premiers to the effect that the federal government should assume the whole cost of relief.

Fed Special Diets

Chickens Stolen From Agricultural College Dangerous For Food

Guelph, Ont.—Chickens stolen from the Ontario Agricultural College during the last month were fed special diets which might be dangerous to humans, Prof. W. R. Graham, head of O.A.C. poultry department, said recently.

"A chicken can stand a quantity of Vitamin B that would kill a dog in eight hours," said Prof. Graham. "Some of the stolen fowl were fed a concentrated Vitamin B diet and some others were given a special diet in connection with research work. I hope nobody ate any of them."

Need Hangars Underground

London.—Lord Strickland, who headed the ministry in Malta, 1927-32, told the house of lords underground aeroplane hangars were needed on the island naval base on the Mediterranean to augment defence measures already taken there. 2129

Cause Of Drouth

Recession Of Rocky Mountain Glaciers Given As Reason

Toronto.—A gradual recession of the Rocky Mountain glaciers is responsible for drouth conditions in Western Canada, Dan McCowan, noted Esprit, Alta., naturalist, said in an address before members of the Electric club.

Numerous forest fires in the vicinity of the glaciers have caused a 24-hour melting of the ice instead of the usual six hours daily. If the melting continues for the next few years a great change will be noted in the flow of the Saskatchewan and other western rivers.

Instead of committees trying to decide what to do about the gradual melting of the once magnificent glaciers, Mr. McCowan said, a concentrated effort should be made toward reforestation.

Kidnapper Suspects

Two Men Arrested In Illinois In Connection With Labatt Affair

Ottawa, Ill.—A trap set by U.S. justice department agents snapped shut on two alleged kidnappers of John S. Labatt, wealthy Canadian brewer, ending a 14-month hunt over most of North America.

The pair were nabbed after a lively street chase in downtown Ottawa. Their arrest was officially confirmed later by J. Edgar Hoover, head of the justice department's bureau of investigation in Washington.

NO NEW SCHEMES UNDERMARKETING ACT FOR PRESENT

Ottawa.—No new schemes will be considered under the Natural Products Marketing Act, and schemes already in operation will not be further expanded, it was announced to the Dominion-provincial committee on agriculture by its chairman, Hon. James G. Gardiner, minister of agriculture. A sub-committee was appointed to prepare a resolution on farm credits and debt adjustments.

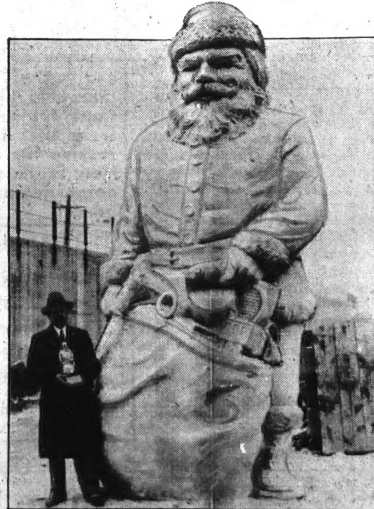
The Natural Products Marketing Act, passed in 1934, has been operating in practically every part of Canada and is now among the half dozen statutes referred to the Dominion-provincial conference for decision as to their constitutional validity.

Mr. Gardiner announced plans to go along until the supreme court of Canada decides whether the act is constitutional.

Some 22 schemes are in operation under the marketing act. These will continue but no further expansion of their activities will be undertaken until the validity of the act is decided.

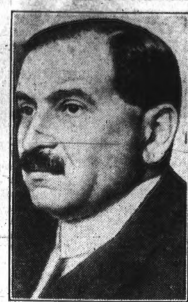
Eight proposed schemes will be held up. These include livestock marketing schemes in Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario and Prince Edward Island; poultry marketing in Saskatchewan, honey marketing in Ontario, and red shingle domestic marketing in British Columbia.

SANTA CLAUS GIVEN SANTA CLAUS



This 20-ton granite monument of Santa Claus was donated by Carl Barrett, prominent Chicagoan, to the widely-known town of Santa Claus, Indiana, to grace the community park.

UPIFIELD



Pierre Laval, Premier of France, faced the Chamber of Deputies the other day with the knowledge that he may be thrown out of office. However, the Deputies voted confidence in his ability to bring the nation out of the economic distress which it has suffered.

Big Increase In Revenues

Higher By \$13,000,000 Than For Same Period Last Year

Ottawa.—Improvement in federal revenues is indicated by official returns up to the end of November, when the yield from all sources reached a total of \$257,966,000, or approximately \$13,000,000 more than the corresponding period last year.

The revenue came from the following sources: Customs, \$51,315,000; excise duties, \$31,007,000; excise taxes, \$72,657,000; income tax, \$69,700,000; post office, \$19,287,000; miscellaneous, \$14,000,000. Ordinary expenditures to the end of November came to \$245,674,000, or \$1,500,000 more than the corresponding period last year. Special expenditures were made up as follows: Public Works Construction act, \$20,000,000; unemployment relief, \$14,000,000; capital expenditure \$5,800,000; loans to provinces, \$24,763,000; farm loan board, \$2,900,000; loans to Canadian National Railways \$31,500,000.

Motor Truck Inquiry

Ask Government To Investigate Problems Of This Industry

Ottawa.—An investigation of the motor transit industry was urged on the Dominion-provincial conference by truck operators. The request was in the form of a resolution.

The conference was asked to recommend to the Dominion and provincial governments that a fact-finding commission or board whose members are conversant with the operation of the industry throughout Canada be appointed with instructions to "investigate and inquire thoroughly into the motor transport industry, the conditions under which it operates, its proper functions, its problems and its possibilities."

The resolution was approved by the Canadian Automobile Chamber of Commerce, the Canadian Industrial Traffic League (highway transportation committee).

Empire Broadcast

Message From His Majesty The King On Christmas Morning

Ottawa.—In the presence of his family at the country home in Sandringham, King George again will broadcast a Christmas message to a listening empire. This year His Majesty will be introduced by a small girl before a microphone in far away New Zealand.

The empire broadcast will be heard in Canada from 9:30 a.m. (E.S.T.) to 10 a.m. Christmas Day over the Canadian Radio Commission's national network. Canada's part in it will fall to an Ottawa family, who will send greeting to relatives in England, Ireland and Australia and tell how they are spending the day.

Other "sound pictures" of this kind will come from England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales, alternating with South Africa, India, Australia and New Zealand, where the little girl will be allowed to sit up well after midnight—it is early forenoon in Canada and afternoon at Sandringham—to introduce the king.

South Africa is billed to describe the summer weather there, and to contribute music from a native compound. India will describe a formal dinner party, in keeping with the hour there.

Good Shipping Season

Best Business On Great Lakes This Season Since 1929

Fort William.—The best shipping season at the head of the Great Lakes since 1929 was ended recently as winter slipped a layer of ice over the slips and harbor sections of Thunder Bay.

The final count showed arrival during the summer and fall of 402 package freighters at the Port Arthur freight sheds compared with 397 last season, and a record season since 1929.

In the towering elevators here are 50,000,000 bushels of grain, much of which will be stored in the wintering boats. Since navigation opened approximately 187,800,000 bushels of all grains have been cleared down the Lakes.

London As Film Centre

Largest Studio In Europe To Be Built In England

London.—The largest, most modern film studios in Europe are being built at Elstree, England's "Hollywood," at a cost of \$2,500,000 to be available for independent producers of any country who may hire them.

S. H. Soskin, London financier, is backing the enterprise, which he declared would make London the film centre of the world. The studios will contain all the most advanced technical equipment, and will provide accommodation for production of 16 pictures simultaneously.

ATLANTIC AIR SERVICE PLANS MOVE FORWARD

Washington.—Representatives of four governments combined to remove one of the principal obstacles to early inauguration of regular trans-Atlantic air service for passengers and mail.

British, United States, Irish and Canadian officials agreed in principle to extend reciprocal landing and operating privileges in their countries for such service, and it was indicated that experimental flying might start next spring.

Pan-American Air Lines and British Imperial Airways, Ltd., are understood to have worked out arrangements for joint establishment of such a service. They were said to plan to use flying boats of the type of the "China Clipper," now in service on the trans-Pacific run.

The agreement on landing facilities capped more than a week of conferences of the visiting officials and the United States inter-departmental committee on international aviation.

The agreement, it is understood, will make available to the British company landing facilities in the United States and to the American company landing facilities not only in Bermuda but in Canada, Ireland and Great Britain.

Permitting still must be obtained by both companies from the Portuguese government for the privilege of landing in the Azores, but this was looked upon as creating no great difficulty.

Under the proposed arrangement, Pan-American would operate the mail service from the United States to Europe and Imperial Airways from Europe to North America.

TRANS-CANADA HIGHWAY MAY BE COMPLETED SOON

Ottawa.—The Dominion-provincial conference committee on tourist traffic, it was learned, has accepted the suggestion of its committee that the Trans-Canada highway be completed. The Dominion will bear 50 per cent. of the cost and each province will bear 50 per cent. of the cost within its borders. It is expected the highway will be completed in two years.

A similar arrangement was proposed in connection with roads which might be considered feeder roads to the highway. If a province designated a road as one whose improvement would be to the general advantage of Canada and the Dominion sanctioned it, each would pay half the cost. This was believed possible of extensive development in the improvement of roads which would bring tourists to Canada, particularly along scenic routes.

The committee was also said to be agreeable to the suggestion that more national parks be provided, particularly in the Maritime provinces, in order to attract tourists.

The committee also went on record in favor of dustless roads leading to the national parks. It was claimed dust roads discouraged many tourists from visiting some of the big parks in the west.

The report of the committee will be submitted at the plenary session of the conference to-day for final ratification.

Extend Drouth Program

May Enlarge Plan For Reclamation Of Dried Out Areas

Ottawa.—Extension of the present program for the reclamation of dried-out areas in the prairie provinces may be undertaken by the Dominion government, Western representatives attending the Dominion-provincial conference were interested in the federal government's policy on the matter but the question was not discussed in the agricultural sub-conference.

Hon. James Gardiner, federal minister of agriculture, intends to have a meeting later on with the ministers of agriculture for Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta to discuss the matter.

Last session an act was passed appropriating \$750,000 for reclamation of drouth-stricken areas and the inauguration of measures to prevent future suffering from drouth. The act provides for a five-year program and for the next four years the annual expenditure is to be \$1,000,000.

Christmas Mails

Yule-Tide Air Mail Leaves For The Far North

McMurray, Alta.—Assuming their annual roles as Santa Claus aides three Canadian Airways pilots left McMurray with the first, last and only 1935 Christmas air mail for Akavik, 1,468 miles north, and intervening points. Their aeroplanes were heavily loaded with mail, parcels and luxuries for Christmas.

Pilot Lewis Leigh took off for Simpson with an overflow load; Pilot Conway Farwell left for Akavik and Pilot Matt Berry for Fort Good Hope, lying nearly on the Arctic circle.

Christmas supplies were carried by Pilot W. R. "Wop" May, who left McMurray for Goldfields; Art Rankin and Pilot Marlowe Kennedy, Mackenzie air service, who took off from here also for Goldfields.

A Full Time Job

J. R. Murray Will Give Entire Time To Wheat Board

Winnipeg.—J. R. Murray, recently appointed to the chairmanship of the Canadian Wheat Board, will devote his entire time to his new duties, it was announced here following a meeting of directors of the Alberta Pacific Grain Company, Limited, of which he is general manager.

Mr. Murray has been granted leave of absence from the company, the announcement said. The Wheat Board chairman also announced he had severed his connection with various other grain companies and companies having any dealings in cereals.

Pension Cheques An Usual

Ottawa.—Canadian war pensioners will receive their cheques on the usual monthly dates this year and no advance payment of pensions will be made for the Christmas holiday, it was learned at the department of pensions and national health.

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The most widely read editorial ever written appeared 36 years ago in the New York Sun, has been reprinted by the Sun annually at Christmas time ever since, has been quoted in a score of languages the world over.

This world-famous "Santa Claus editorial" was an answer to the following letter:

Dear Editor: I am eight years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Please tell me the truth—Virginia O'Hanlon.

The editorial writer who was assigned to reply to Virginia at first disdained the task as trivial, then found himself warming up to a real opportunity, and finally wrote the words that millions since then have warmed to read:

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think nothing can be which is not comprehensible in their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect in intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole truth."

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished."

"Not to believe in Santa Claus! Fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see."

You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside; but there is a veil covering the unseen world which the strongest men that ever lived could never tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view the supernal beauty beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding."

"No Santa Claus? Thank God he lives, and lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia—may, ten times ten thousand years from now he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."

THE PRINTER'S ILL LUCK

An editor in a neighboring town, who had been studying the effects of the depression, and was slightly discouraged, wrote the following: "Lives of rich men, oft remind us, honest men don't stand a chance. The more we work, there grows behind us bigger patches on our pants. On our pants, once new and glossy, now are strips of different hues; all because subscribers finger and don't pay us what is due. Then, let's all be up and doing—send your mite however small; or when snow and winter strikes us, we will have no pants at all.—Castor Advance."

AND THEY WERE SORE AFRAID

These words were spoken of the shepherds to whom the angel hosts announced the birth of the Christ Child. How little need there was for their fears we know very well, but they were very real fears, nevertheless. That was not the first nor the last time that fear has mocked and disturbed men without reason. Indeed it was not the first nor the last time that men have greatly feared the very thing which should have brought them comfort and release and a great happiness. If men could in some way get rid of one half of their unneeded fears, this would be a very much happier world and a very much easier one to live in.

It was one of the great fears that has harassed and disturbed men through centuries and millenniums of their history that the coming of the Christ Child was intended to drive away. In the dim past ages of human history, when in their groping minds men had begun to give a personality to the forces of nature which they saw evidenced about them, they had been fearful and afraid of them. The universe about them, of whose meaning they could not even dream, was filled with spirits and spectres of whom they were in constant dread. Their gods were of no comfort to them; to placate them, or cajole them, or to escape from under their vindictive hand, was an almost constant effort and purpose of their lives. The story of man's attitude towards his gods is a pathetic one indeed.

Even as late as in the Old Testament days God was often thought of in terms utterly vindictive and cruel. Abraham, the father of the faithful, could think of his God as especially pleased with the sacrifice of his son. The God of Deborah and of Samson, and even of David himself, was a Being much more interested in the prosperity of the group or the nation than in the spiritual welfare of mankind as a whole. In His love for and care of one nation, He could hate and destroy others with right good will. It was only by a very slow and uphill process that the God of the ancient Hebrew people became, even a decently moral being. There is good reason to think that the whole sacrificial system was an outgrowth of a quite pagan conception of the Divine Being. The Macabees, before the dawn of the Christian era, could pray fervently for the judgments of a fierce and angry God to light down upon their enemies.

At the time the angel song came to the ears of the watching shepherds there was no truth needing to be brought home to men more than that truth about God. And it was to that truth about God, as a God of love, an understanding Father of all the children of men, as a Being of holiness and justice, and truth, that Jesus specially addressed Himself. But it was specially because He came as a little Child, and entered into our humanity fully and perfectly, that He was able to bring that great new thought about God home to us that He did not understand, nothing that He could not sympathize with fully and completely. Since Jesus came and taught, God is our God as He never could have been had He not come. The strange thing is that we have not taken that great truth to our comfort and joy and satisfaction more than we have.

"In the joy and the brightness of another Christmas time shall we not lay a stronger and surer hold upon that great truth which the Child of Bethlehem and the Jesus of Galilee and Judaea came to reveal to man, the truth that he need no longer be afraid of his God, that he is a loving, and an understanding Father, in whose grace and goodness he might put his trust for ever? It would be a thousand pities if we should keep on being in dread of Him who is the one fair and fine and truly understanding Friend our human race will ever know.—The New Outlook."

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Services Sunday, December 22nd,
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The evening service at Central United church on Sunday, December 22, will observe the celebration of the Birth of the Christ-Child in the manger at Bethlehem. Hymns and anthems by the choir will be in keeping with the occasion as will also the sermon. All are cordially invited to avail themselves of this occasion to honor Him without whom there would be no Christmas.

There will also be a service at 11 o'clock on Christmas Day to which we desire to invite you.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH NOTES
Rev. A. S. Partington, B.A., Rector

Services Sunday, December 22nd,
10 a.m.—Sunday School.
Morning service at 11 o'clock.
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Special Christmas services.

BELLEVUE UNITED CHURCH
Pastor: Rev. R. Upton

Dir. of Music: Mrs. Upton, A.T.C.M.

Services Sunday, December 22nd.
Special Christmas services.
Morning at 11 a.m. Junior choir will sing special Christmas selections. Evening services at 7:30.

The senior choir of 30 voices will furnish the music for this service.

You are cordially invited to attend these two services when many of the old time Christmas carols will be sung, and appropriate messages by the minister for Christmas season. Sunday school at 2:30.

The Sunday school tree and concert will be held on Monday, December 23rd, at 7:30 p.m. Extensive preparations are being made for this annual Christmas treat. This year promises to be up to the usual high standard of entertainment, and everything is being done to bring joy and happiness to the children.

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Mrs. R. Upton will be in charge of the choir. A silver collection will be taken up.

Through-the-Week Activities
Regular gymnasium schedule until further notice.

Monday—Afternoon—Badminton 6 to 8 p.m. Hornets Club
8 to 10 p.m. Y.P.S.

Tuesday—Afternoon—Badminton 6 to 8 p.m. Chunks
8 to 10 p.m. Badminton

Wednesday—6 to 8 p.m.—Bowling 8 to 10 p.m. Open

Thursday—Afternoon, Badminton 6 to 7:30 p.m. Scouts
7:30 to 9 p.m. Guides
9 to 11 p.m. Badminton
Friday—6 to 8 p.m. Ramblers
8 to 10 p.m. Amblerettes
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The regular meeting of the Home League will be held on Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock. All ladies are invited to attend this meeting.

Special services for the Christmas week.

THE PETER BRYCE HALL

Earls Court Church, Toronto, held a large gathering on December 4th to open and dedicate the Peter Bryce Hall, a well-equipped centre for the Sunday school and social life of the congregation. The occasion was marked by many tributes to the services rendered by Dr. and Mrs. Bryce to the Earls Court district. Rev. A. L.

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Richardson and his people deserve much credit for completion of the undertaking.

The hall, a frame building, which was the original Earls Court Methodist church, has been remodelled and decorated. All the labor on the project was given free by members and friends of the church. Under the leadership of Charlie Phillips, caretaker since the early days of the congregation, plumbers, steamfitters, plasterers, carpenters, electricians and painters have been busy all the

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District News

From Our Own Correspondents

BELLEVUE HAPPENINGS

The Bellevue branch of the Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., held their annual banquet and dance in the Odd-fellows' hall on Friday night last. The affair was well attended and most enjoyable.

The evening service at the United church on Sunday last was in charge of Mr. J. Shevels.

The Ladies' Aid of the United church held a social evening in the auditorium on Monday.

Quite a number of Bellevue people journeyed to Lethbridge on Friday to attend the funerals of the Coalhurst mine accident victims.

Mr. and Mrs. George Youngberg and Shirley, accompanied by Miss Charlotte Strauch, were Calgary visitors last week.

Rev. R. Upton occupied the pulpit of the Pincher Creek United church on Sunday last.

Albert Gatto, who was lost in the North Fork country for three days, was returned to his home at Maple Leaf on Monday evening. He is enjoying his usual good health, being none the worse for his trying experience.

Customer in the drugstore on Sunday evening: "Please give me change for a dime."

Gordon: "Here it is. I hope you will enjoy the sermon."

Grandma: "Yes, I feel much better now, and I don't think there is anything wrong with my appendix. But it was nice of the minister to call and see about it."

Daughter: "But, mother, that was not the minister; That was a specialist from the city who examined you."

Grandma: "Oh, he was a doctor, was he? I thought he was a little familiar for a minister."

HILLCREST HAPPENINGS

Mrs. John Brown passed away at her home in Calgary on Sunday at the age of 62. Mr. Brown was a former general manager of the Hillcrest Collieries, during which time Mr. and Mrs. Brown and family resided here.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Petrie and family were Lethbridge visitors over the week end.

Little Shirley Ann Morgan celebrated her second birthday with a party on Thursday.

The Ladies' Social Credit group held a social evening in the Catholic hall on Friday. Whist was played, honors going to Mrs. M. B. Walker, ladies' first; Mrs. W. Rose, second; Mrs. M. Hamaluck, gent's first; Miss B. Letcher, second. A dainty luncheon was served; the table being decorated with Social Credit colors, blue and white. Santa Claus came in and distributed present to all. The evening closed in the early hours, and was voted a great success. A beautiful gift was placed on the tree by the group for Mrs. W. Aberhart, and will be forwarded to her.

Mr. Dutton, of Frank, took charge of the service in the United church on Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Douglas were Lethbridge visitors over the week end.

Cliff Letcher, of Calgary, is a visitor at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Letcher.

Miss Jean Cruickshank returned home from Calgary on Monday for the Christmas vacation.

Mrs. W. Adlam returned from Saskatchewan on Monday. She attended the funeral of her father, who passed away at his home on Thursday last.

COWLEY HAPPENINGS

Word has been received of the death of Eric Sandeman, who passed away on December the 3rd, after a lingering illness of eighteen months at his home, Melrose Hall, Brighton, Sussex, England. Mr. Sandeman, who lived to a ripe old age, spent several years of his life on the old Few ranch on the North Fork river, twelve miles north of Cowley, where he engaged mostly in stock raising.

Mrs. Ethel Bouthillier has gone to Manitoba Island, where she will pay an extended visit with relatives and old friends.

Mrs. L. Christie is spending a few days in Calgary this week.

A basket social and dance, in aid of the Christmas Tree fund, was held at Olin Creek school house on Friday night last. Music for dancing was furnished by local district talent. A sack of flour drawn for was won by August Dumont. After expenses were met, around seventeen dollars was added to the fund.

A card party and dance, in aid of St. Joseph's church, was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Percival on Thursday night, when thirteen tables of cards were at play. Prizes were won as follows: Mr. Garrett and Mrs. Graham, ladies' first and consolation; Tom Bourassa, gent's first; Dennis Purdy, consolation. The door prize went to Armand Thibart. Music for the dance was supplied by Henry Franz and Orin Burkhardt.

The monthly meeting of the Home Helpers Club was held at the home of Mrs. Robert Littleton on Thursday evening.

On Friday evening last a large number of friends turned out to do homage to Miss Selma Wood, the Christmas bride-elect, by giving her a miscellaneous shower in the Masonic hall which was tastefully decorated for the occasion. A beautiful Christmas tree, looking very Christmassy, bore innumerable gifts, which the bride received. Jolly games and lively dancing was the order of the evening, indulged in by both old and young alike. The guessing prize was won by Nelson Askeew. Novelty prizes were won by Miss Dorothy Dwyer, Bradford Tustian and Miss Jean Morrison. A halt was called at midnight, when merry-making ceased for a short time only to serve an appetizing luncheon.

The late Mrs. Guitard, whose death was announced in these columns last week, was born in Brampton, England, in 1863, emigrating from the old world to Canada in 1873, settling at Montreal, where she met and married Alex. Guitard in 1891. Her maiden name was Caroline Ann Smith. The couple travelled west as far as Lethbridge by train in 1889, continuing on to the Walrod ranch, north of Lundbreck by wagon.

BRAW DAY IN

SCOT'S CALENDAR

St. Andrew's Day, which is celebrated by Scots all over the world today, provides Canadians of different ancestry with another opportunity to wish their fellow countrymen of Scottish origin well and to recall that the Scot has won an honored name in Canada and elsewhere. Today a man from north of the Tweed occupies Rideau Hall.

A good many facts about St. Andrew's life are in dispute, but tradition says that he preached in Asia Minor and Scythia, along the Black Sea as far as the Volga, and that he was crucified at Petras in Archæa. The events of his earlier life, related in Scripture, are, of course well known. His name comes from a Greek root meaning "manly." That fact alone should endear him to the courageous and virile race of which he is the patron saint.

The Scot is possibly the most self-effacing partner in the British Union, but, like St. Andrew, has travelled far and done many good works. Livingstone of Africa and Gordon of Khartoum may be cited as two of many such men. More attention has been paid to the Scot as a soldier and builder than as the missionary and peace-bringer. Yet it is safe to say

that Scotsmen have gone farther afield with the Bible than with the engineer's transit.

It is true that as a race they are loath to publicize themselves. Generally that task has been left to men of other nations. From the Indian frontier to Patagonia they are known as a race of strong character, moderate habits, determination and personal courage. In this they have commendably emulated their own St. Andrew.—Ex.

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The story opens with Link Fleming, addressing a meeting of Boone County cattlemen, called together with the object of forming an irrigation company.

Roper Kilgo, the boss of the Rawhide and nearby ranges, who seemed to approve the plan, but was really opposed to it, had forced Soak Torney, a derelict mining engineer, whom Kilgo knew would be called upon to give his expert opinion in favor of the scheme, to reverse his earlier endorsement, and declare that irrigation in Boone county so far as Hamilton's place was concerned, was only a new-fangled way to waste money.

(Now Go On With The Story)

CHAPTER II—Continued

Buzz Hamilton uttered a derisive laugh. "Tryin' to threaten us into it now, eh? Save your breath. We don't scare so easy."

"That's right, Link. Yuh lost, so why squawk about it?" calmly interrupted Roper.

Already the ranchers were moving slowly toward the street door of the Trailend Hotel, talking in low tones. Many were disgruntled because, having been almost won over, or having felt they would be forced into the scheme, they now were at a loss to account for the sudden change in temper.

He would have to act fast! "Men, I still believe in waterin' land this much, that I'm going into it myself. I know some folks are going to back me on it, and there'll be others if



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you can see just how much the thing can do for you."

"Yeah, I'd put us on the poor farm," drawled Matt Benson.

He ignored this, seeking Otto Pieper. "You claim to believe in progress. As head of the bank you're in a position to help in your worthwhile movement. Will you support a dam on Silver Creek?"

They paused to hear Pieper's decision. His sallow face went paler and he twitched his shoulders uncomfortably. Conscious of its importance, he hesitated, scratching his pointed chin.

"Well, uh—I'm a great believer in progress, sure. Just the same, Otto pleaded weakly, 'if Soak Torney knows all about irrigation like you told us yourself, and he ain't in favor of our riskin' forty to sixty thousand... Uh, I couldn't say right off what I'd do about loans, Link."

There was a rustle of endorsement of this stand. "I'm not asking whether you'll give me anything, Otto. I just want to know if you'll loan money against my spread, or stock, or whatever security I offer."

"Well, that depends. Don't reckon I'd treat yuh much different than anyone else."

He sought Sam Bass, who ran cows on a narrow strip of range a short distance from the Star Loop. More than once he had expressed the belief that "water's what we need, an' water's what we oughta get."

"How about you, Sam? You told me just the other day you were sure this scheme would do wonders. Want to come in with me on it?"

Bass was rolling a cigarette as the invitation came. His fingers began to shake as that he was forced to use both hands. "D'not hardly think I'd go agin expert advice, Link."

"Yuh don't need to ask me. My answer is nope," Orrey Jackson statted fatly, and headed for the door.

In another moment the hotel lobby would be empty. There was just one last appeal to be made, but perhaps it would turn the tide for the irrigation plan. He beckoned to Honest John Macdonney, one of his very best friends, standing beside Marty Bush, who also was a time-tried friend. "I'm telling you somebody reached Torney, forced him to change his mind. How about going in with me in spite of everything? Macdonney, what do you say?"

Honest John almost swallowed his quid of tobacco. He squinted sharply at Bush as if seeking an excuse, sighed, and yielded. "Shore," he said without enthusiasm. "I'll back yuh, Link, for anything yuh say. I'm in this or any other scheme—any you can tell that to anybody yuh meet!"

Was the tide turning? A few men had paused interestedly, impressed.

"How about you, Marty?" Link asked quickly.

Bush grunted the buckle of his belt. "What John said goes for me too."

New hope sprang alive to warm his veins, and the Star Loop owner grinned. "Aw, the meeting's over, I reckon." Jackpot! Well called loudly, just as Fleming was about to follow his brief advantage. "Everybody step over to the Half Moon. Drinks are on the house!"

At once there was a shuffling of booted feet and as one man the crowd surged toward the door. Just then, however, a slight, dark-haired yuh pushed and worked her way forward.

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look. He recalled now having noticed the girl's piquant oval face at the rear fringe of the crowd while he had been talking. But in his eager concentration at that time he had forgotten her.

Who was she? Her eyes were large and dark, her features regular. The close-fitting maroon hat could not prevent wisps of chestnut hair from peeping furtively forth. Fleming thought she would be nineteen or twenty, stately but not distant of manner, and girlishly lovely in the full bloom of healthful youth.

She must have come, he reflected, on the Flagstar-to-Rawhide stage, for a while ago he had seen it stop before the hotel, then roll ponderously away.

The men were staring at her. "Why are you so blind?" she reproached excitedly. "Don't you see that Mr. Fleming would not have asked this Torney to give his opinion if he were not sure what it would be? Why, he wouldn't even have—"

"You ain't got any call to bust in here!" Buzz interrupted harshly. The girl ignored him. "I'm Helen Hamilton of the Triple H—most of you men know me. I've been east the last two years, and I've been irrationally there. I know it will work. Why, it's the only salvation for ranchers, our only hope! I've studied it as much as I could. Yes, and as I told you, I had a letter from Mr. Torney. He said it was wonderful, that the Triple H would benefit—"

"Helen!" her brother snapped angrily. "I tell yuh—"

"But we've got to go into it!" Pleading, and with her face flushed and eyes glistening with enthusiasm, she turned to Link. "Mr. Fleming, our spread will join in this thing. There!" she exclaimed, smiling. "You've got another lined up. Who else will come in?"

Link had climbed down from his chair. A knot of men watching interestedly as Buzz, watched nearer, grasped the girl's arm. "You can't promise our spread'll go into any loco scheme like that! I'm manager here!"

"But I tell you we must," she pleaded. "If Torney said it was a good thing, and Mr. Fleming believes it is, then I believe in it too!"

"Soak changed his mind, didn't he?"

Link hesitated, not wanting to cause friction between brother and sister. "Maybe we'd better talk this later on," he said in a low tone. Hamilton heard him. "You keep out of it, every!" I don't need your help 'n' my spread!"

"But irrigation is a good thing, Buzz. I know it is. Can't you see, someone certainly made Torney afraid to tell what he really thinks? It was in his manner, in his face! Anyhow," she declared staunchly, "I own half the Triple H, and I'm going to see that we go in with Mr. Fleming. We've got to do something, Buzz, or we'll be bankrupt in a year or two. And in our letters back and forth—"

"Letters!" His truculence heightened.

"Yes. You see, we've discussed this a good deal. Mr. Fleming wrote Father shortly after we got to Ohio. When Father died, I answered. He said you weren't much impressed with the idea, in fact were against it. That's why I've tried to explain it to you, Buzz, when I wrote you."

Anger overspread his flushed face. "Damn you, Fleming, so yuh played underhand on this, eh? Who told yuh to write my sister? Yuh never mentioned it to me!"

"Because I asked him not to, Buzz. I wanted to explain it to you myself."

Out of the corner of his eye Link saw Buster Townsend edge nearer as if fearful that danger threatened his employer. It was plain that young Hamilton, much the worse for drinking before the ranchers had assembled, was in a troublous frame of mind. At Helen's words he stiffened and for the moment was utterly non-

plussed. Anger welled hotter in the man and he seemed to be calculating what move to make next.

Roper Kilgo wore a saccharine peace-making smile on his round face as he approached and bowed gallantly. "Shore glad to see yuh, Helen! Been lookin' forward to this for a long time. How about ridin' out to the spread with yuh? Reckon we got plenty to talk over we don't care about other folks hearin'!"

(To Be Continued)

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Canadian Scientist Recognized By Netherlands Society

Dr. H. T. Gussow of Ottawa, Dominion Botanist, Experimental Farms Branch, Dominion Department of Agriculture, has been notified that he has been nominated an honorary member of the Royal Netherlands Horticultural and Botanical Society as a mark of appreciation from the scientists of Holland of his distinguished work for the benefit of horticulture not only in Canada but world wide. Dr. Gussow has been Dominion Botanist since 1910 and was responsible for the origination of the plant pathological service in Canada. In recent years many honours have been conferred on him in Canada and he became a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and two years later was elected a fellow of the association.

He is a charter member of the American Plant Pathological Society, a member of the International Agricultural Institute at Rome; is first vice-president of the Canadian Phytopathological Society; a fellow of the Royal Society of Canada; and has acted as the Dominion's representative at several international conferences. He came to Canada with a distinguished career. He was assistant to the Keeper of Botany of the British Museum; a member of the British Royal Society; a member of the Linnean Society; a honorary fellow of the Royal Horticultural Society; a member of the British Association of Biology, of the Societe Mycologique de France, and corresponding member of Verlingur fur Angewandte Botanik of the Societe Pathologie Vegetale de France.

Report Was Exaggerated

Doctor At Chesterfield Inlet Says He Is Not Dead

Dr. L. D. Livingston, in charge of the Hospital at Chesterfield Inlet, N.W.T., 400 miles north of Churchill, wants it known he is very much alive. While travelling in Greenland, Reginald Orcutt, member of the New York Explorers' Club, was told by Eskimos the physician was dead. On returning to Copenhagen, Mr. Orcutt wrote for particulars to a Saskatoon newspaperman. The matter was referred to the Canadian Press, and as light in England. There stood a letter through the radio department at Ottawa. Replying personally, Dr. Livingston said: "If I am dead, I don't know enough to lie down."

Botanical Garden Is Planned For Toronto

If Established It Will Be First One In Canada

A committee headed by Sir Robert Falconer is working toward establishment in Toronto of Canada's first botanical garden. The project is being advanced before the Royal Canadian Institute, it was learned.

The object would be to facilitate a study of the growth, nutrition, disease and breeding of plants. Landscape gardening with provision for the training of gardeners is also contemplated.

Another Odd Name

Odd tavern names have come to light in England. There stood a tavern called The Hole in the Wall, in Chancery-lane (No. 39), for many years. It is referred to by Hazlitt in 1811, and it was extremely popular with boxers.

Bank of Montreal's Strong Position

At the annual meeting of the Bank of Montreal, held at the Head Office on December 2, a large and representative gathering of shareholders expressed their unanimous approval of the statement and report of the directors for the fiscal year ending October 31.

The balance sheet showed that the total assets amounted to \$792,600,000, compared with \$759,100,000 a year ago.

Profits, after deducting Dominion and Provincial Government taxes, amounted to \$3,005,212 as compared with \$2,204,399 in 1934—a decrease of \$199,000, over half of which is due to the increase in Dominion and Provincial taxes.

Sir Charles Gordon, president, in his address, said he was sorry interest on bank deposits was cut from three to two per cent. This, he said, was rendered necessary by the pressure of the Government and the Central Bank for lower rates on Government loans.

"These low rates," he explained, "have resulted in a drastic cutting down of the earnings of the chartered banks, which have been forced to reduce their rates to depositors. Based on the results of the Bank of Montreal, it means that the depositors in all Canadian banks are receiving some \$17,000,000 less per annum than they did when the rate was 3%. In a sense this reduction may be regarded as a form of concealed taxation."

General Manager's Address

Mr. Jackson Dods, joint general manager, in explaining the various items in the Bank's statement, referred to the failure of the lowering of the interest structure of the country to stimulate borrowing of money for productive and constructive purposes, remarking: "Lenders naturally shortened the terms of their commitments. They would not risk long term investments at low rates in the face of experiments of one kind and another, whether monetary, economic or socialistic. Until confidence is inspired by the adoption and carrying out of sound policies, the economies of budgets by effecting economies and by the reduction of taxes, long term investments will be postponed and business recovery retarded."

"Taxation," he proceeded, "is primarily a tax on the business of the municipal essential expenditures. That we have drifted a long way from the original intention of the business of municipal essential expenditures. That we have drifted a long way from the original intention of the business of municipal essential expenditures. That we have drifted a long way from the original intention of the business of municipal essential expenditures."

A Great Gentleman

American Writer Has High Regard For Baron Tweedsmuir

When I first knew him, he was plain John Buchan, writing the best Scotch novels since Robert Louis Stevenson.

Then, in 1918, he was Col. John Buchan of the British wartime press bureau, shrewd, kindly, and deft, handling a bunch of rampaging American correspondents as gently as though they were some new-natched eggs.

When he became Sir John Buchan, a lot of us said: "Well, he earned his honors, but no title ever can swell that Scot's head."

Now, at Ottawa, the flags fly and the cannons roar for Baron Tweedsmuir, Governor-General of our noble neighbor nation to the north, but, if His Lordship doesn't mind, I'd like, personally, to go on thinking of him as my friend, John Buchan, a very great gentleman.

They'll like him up there, where they go to like him down here. And, if any of you Canadians has any doubt as to his diversified talents, wait till you see him casting a trout-fry across a likely pool.—Irvin S. Cobb.

A Super Thermometer

Designed To Register Down To Absolute Zero

A thermometer to measure the last degree of temperature, from one down to absolute zero where heat ceases to exist, is under development at the University of California.

The instrument has been developed to read accurately from 1-10th of a degree, by W. F. Giauque, professor of chemistry, and Dr. D. P. MacDougall.

Never before has there been an accurate scale for the last degree. For in this last step in cold fantastic things sometimes happen.

Pay For Luxuries

W. L. Coffey's 500 White Leghorns live in a five-story apartment house at Granite Falls, N.C., each hen having a private apartment with bath and other luxuries. Like humans, they pay for what they get. They drop more eggs in the market basket, Coffey explains.

An elephant has only one molar tooth in each side of its jaw, but it renews that tooth six times if it lives out a normal lifetime.

Little Helps For This Week

Walk worthy of God who hath called you unto His Kingdom and glory. I. Thessalonians 2:12.

Thou comest not to thy place by accident.

It is the very place God meant for thee:

And about thou there must have scope for action see. Do not for this give room to discontent.

Accept the place divine providence has found for you, adapt thyself to the things with which thy lot has been cast and love the people with whom it is thy portion to live with a sincere affection. Be not dissatisfied with thy present lot, or shrink from the future. A godly man once said, "I love best to have each thing in its season, doing without it at all other times. I have never got over my surprise that I should have been born into the most estimable place in all the world, and in the very nick of time too."

Ends Inaugural Flight

China Clipper Completes 16,000-Mile Trip In Good Time

The trans-Pacific China Clipper completed its inaugural mail flight to Manila and returns on Dec. 6 at 11:30 a.m., M.S.T.

Flying through the night, the big sky liner covered the 2,400 miles from Honolulu in 17 hours, one minute.

This made its total flying time for the 8,000-mile return trip from Manila 63 hours, 28 minutes. Flying time for the 16,000-mile return trip was 123 hours, 15 minutes.

The China Clipper, first of the fleet of Pan American Airways' seaplanes to enter the trans-oceanic service, left Alameda, Calif., November 22. Stops both ways were made at Honolulu, Midway and Wake Islands and Guam.

New British Sub Launched

The new British submarine Sea Wolf has been launched at Greenock, Scotland. The new undersea craft, one of the Swordfish class, is 202 feet six inches long and displaces 640 tons of the surface and 935 tons submerged.

The Ceylon cotton tree drops its leaves in dry weather to prevent its stored water from evaporating.

Save 'LEFT-OVERS' with

Appleford's Presto Pack



MORE CONVENIENT TO USE

Just hang a package in your kitchen. You'll be delighted with its convenience... for, with one easy pull, you can easily extract a single sheet at a time leaving the other hand free to hold the "left-over" being wrapped.

Warehouses At Calgary, Edmonton, Regina and Winnipeg

HOLLY 70c LB**FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS DINNER**

Grapes, Red Emperor	2 lbs	33c
California Celery	Lb	15c
Cauliflower, large	Each	33c
Tomatoes, Hot House	Lb	20c
Cranberries, fresh	Lb	30c
Cucumbers	Each	28c
Brussels Sprouts	Lb	25c
Radishes, Green Onions, Etc., Etc.		

MIXED NUTS 3 lbs 50c

Bananas, Golden Yellow 2 lbs 25c
Shop Early While Supplies are Available.

F. M. THOMPSON Co.

Grocery Phone 25 Greenhill Phone 25 Dry Goods Phone 15

Members of the council and school board at Red Deer are so good-looking that their pictures were given space in the local paper.

Judging by silly occurrences in Blaimore since the beginning of the week, all local nuts are not where they ought to be.

Goods valued at around \$10,000, that had been smuggled into Canada, including auto heaters, were seized at Hamilton, Ontario, a few days ago.

A hockey league fixture between Lethbridge Maple Leafs and Bellevue Bulldogs had to be postponed through mild weather.

CARD OF THANKS

The Board of Managers, the staff of the Sunday School, and the members of the Ladies' Aid of the Blaimore United Church, wish to convey thanks, together with the greetings of the Season, to the many people who have so generously given their support to the different departments of the church during the past year. The spirit of goodwill, which is the source of such loyalty, is greatly appreciated.

SIMILE!

The other day I watched a tug pulling a long line of big scows. Near by, a couple of tugs were pushing a docking mammoth trans-Atlantic liner. The thought came to my mind: "Tugs are like executives. With full steam up, they can move large bodies of workers in the right direction. They can supply effective leadership, guidance, progress."

The scows, left to themselves, would have drifted hopelessly. The giant leviathan, driven by the tide, would have caused wreckage. But the tugs in each case proved efficient.

Are you a tug, with full steam up? Even a tug, with no steam, would drift to disaster.—Forbes.

Noisemakers, balloons, streamers, everything to make a merry New Year's Eve. Elks' 12th annual dance-frolic. Columbus hall.

The Oddfellows' and Rebekahs' annual Christmas Tree will be held in the basement of the United church tomorrow evening, Friday.

Local and General Items

The Editor will be pleased to receive items for this section, regarding visitors entertained, parties leaving for holidays or short trips, bridge parties, teas, etc. Please items in to 11 or hand them in at The Enterprise office no later than Wednesday evenings.

Before marriage it's "spoon." After marriage it's "fork over."

The St. John's Church of England, celebrated its 120th birthday recently.

The new Italian hall at Coleman was the scene of a large and happy dance crowd on Saturday night last.

Election expenses of candidates in practically all other ridings have been published.

A parson with a sense of humor has put up a sign in his church: "No mistakes rectified after leaving the altar."

We are in receipt of a Christmas card from our good old friend Joseph Montalbetti, now living at Marmago, Prov. Varise, Italy.

Drumheller experienced a \$50,000 fire on Saturday last. Besides the Waldorf hotel, a garage was destroyed together with some fifteen autos and trucks.

An epidemic of hiccoughs hit the Lundbreck district last week, following the return of Blaimore's Mayor from Toronto. Down there they just can't help laughing.

Next Thursday's issue of The Enterprise will be the fifty-second for the year 1935. The Enterprise lives up to its claim of being a weekly paper, and never misses a week.

A man named Moon was presented with a daughter by his wife. That was a new moon. The old man was so overcome that he got drunk. That was a full moon. After the jug he had only 25 cents. That was the last quarter.

Peggy Bennett was at Macleod convicted of keeping a disorderly house and paid a fine of twenty-five bucks. An inmate and a Chinese frequenter each paid a ten-dollar fine and costs. Peggy should move her institution to Blaimore, where it's possible to enjoy protection.

Drumheller has organized an Unemployed Social Credit Group. It is claimed that four thousand ex-servants of Calgary, Medicine Hat and Lethbridge have pledged themselves to support the newly-formed group in their fight for the dismissal of old-line relief officials and that they be replaced by unemployed.

We are often told these days that democracy is having a difficult time of it, but so far as we can see, dictatorships are not succeeding any too well either. By the time some of these have weathered the gale as long as democracy has, they may not be in any too good shape either.—The New Outlook.

We entered a Pass note a few days ago to purchase an article that had been advertised for a very much reduced figure. We were unable to make the purchase, for the boss came along to say that the three dollars was "only a figure of speech." "Now," George says, "they're all doing it!"

It's just how some creatures talk when they get away from home: A new Glasgow hockey player, now residing in England, told some friends there that Nova Scotia was so far behind the times they were still obliged to travel by dog-sled. Maybe folks in Moscow have heard stories like that about our dear Alberta.

With the taking over of the whole operation of the beer and liquor traffic in Alberta, there are other institutions that deserve the attention of the government, one at least that wouldn't stand much "advertising," that has been practically legalized in Blaimore and which will afford an opportunity for serious thinking on the part of the "just price" commission, and probably revert revenue to the government.

Success comes in cans, failures in "cans."

Two fleas retired and bought themselves a dog. Itch a great life!

FOR SALE—Piano in perfect condition. Willis make. Apply to The Enterprise.

The Alberta Federation of Labor will convene in Calgary on January the 13th.

Mrs. O. L. McPherson's plea to set aside a divorce has been rejected by the privy council.

An exchange remarks: Judging by the way it resists Italy's attempts to civilize it, Ethiopia evidently can't take a yoke.

The marriage of Miss Hope Dillingham, of Macleod, to Robert Earle Lang, of Vancouver, took place at Vancouver on December the 7th.

And, oh, what a grand and glorious feeling, after reading a dry story book through and find on the last page the picture of a bottle of Scotch whiskey.

A committee from Blaimore Local Unit of the Mine Workers' Union of Canada are soliciting funds for their annual Christmas Tree, and are meeting with liberal response.

It must be terribly demoralizing to the youth of today to enter a restaurant and see the picture of a beautiful girl coupled with the words "Drink Canada Dry." Then wonder why people are being led to drink.

The gross revenues of the all inclusive Canadian National Railways system for the nine-year period ending November the 30th were \$4,553,827, as compared with \$4,320,793 for the corresponding period of 1934, an increase of \$233,034.

In Edmonton a student called at a boarding house to enquire about rooms. "And what do you charge for room?" he asked. "Five dollars up," was the reply. "Yes, but I'm a student," he said, thinking the price a little high. "That being the case, the price is five dollars down!"

Two brothers, former residents of Truro, Nova Scotia, died in British Columbia on October 28th and November 23rd. The former, Wilbert McCulloch, passed away at Vancouver, and the latter at Kaslo. They were sons of Mrs. D. D. McCulloch, Pleasant Street, Truro.

The man Gatto, who strayed from his hunting party near Spring Creek (east of The Gap) on Friday morning, was located at a point about twelve miles north of the "A-7" ranch on Monday. He was in a very weak condition when rescued, having been practically four days without food.

"He died in harness, poor chap," is a common saying. Yes, and by the way, did you ever notice how much like harness life is? There are traces of care; lines of trouble; bits of good fortune, and breaches of faith. Also tongues must be bridled, passions curbed, and everybody has to tug to pull through.

Ruth McKay, of Milford Station, Nova Scotia, won third prize in the Canadian Travel Bureau maple leaf competition, being awarded \$20. The most beautiful leaf, with which went a prize of 100, was awarded to a New Brunswick girl, Gloria Robertson, of Upper Dover; the second prize of \$40 going to Mrs. J. A. D. Amours, of Metapedia, Quebec. The prize for the largest leaf went to Charles Chambers, Vancouver, who won for the second successive year. The leaf submitted measured 21½ x 19½ inches, or 235 square inches. The second prize also went to British Columbia, Mrs. H. A. D. Whitaker, of West Vancouver.

Extra Special for Christmas

Swift Premium or Shamrock Ham, whole . . . Lb 30c
 Swift Premium or Shamrock Bacon, whole or half . . . Lb 35c
Best quality Turkeys, Geese, Ducks, Chickens, for Your Christmas Dinner.

AT THIS FESTIVE SEASON—

our thoughts revert gratefully to our customers, whose goodwill, loyalty and patronage have made possible our progress and prosperity during the past year.

WE WISH YOU ALL A HAPPY CHRISTMAS

H. ZAK

ECONOMY MEAT MARKET Coleman
UNION MEAT MARKET Blaimore
SUCCESS MEAT MARKET Bellevue

Thirty tons, or 63,000 pounds of turkeys was purchased at Red Deer this season.

Dance out the old year, dance in the new one at the Elks' 12th annual New Year's Eve dance-frolic. Columbus hall. Peppy music by the Arcadians' dance band.

For the benefit of patrons, local district vendor stores are being kept open daily, except Sundays, from now until New Year's. This announcement is not being paid for, and we hope doesn't demoralize anyone.

An item in our columns last week to the effect that light and water accounts were now subjected to 15% discount was, we understand, incorrect. The discount is 10% on accounts on and after December 1st readings.

Local store windows are very neatly decorated for the festive season.

A new rubber cement for tree wounds is said to retain its plasticity so that it does not crack nor shrink away as the tree grows.

Most of Coleman's stores were opened for business on Wednesday afternoon, and all claim to have enjoyed a good trade. Coleman merchants advertise in a proper manner, through their local newspapers.

W. R. Howson, Alberta Liberal leader, predicts that electors of this province would take advantage of the promised recall legislation at the first legislative session of the new Social Credit government to ask their members to resign. Howson predicts that dividends would not be paid in eighteen years.

CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

Ladies' Satin Panty Sets	\$1.50
Ladies' Rayon Panty Sets	\$1.25
Ladies' two-piece Pyjamas	\$1.10
Ladies' Bedroom Slippers from	75c up
Gent's Suspender and Garter Sets	\$1.10
Gent's Bedroom Slippers from	\$1.10 up
Christmas Stockings at	25c, 50c and \$1.75
Ladies' and Gents' boxed Handkerchieves	25c up
Gorgonzola Cheese	Lb 50c
Antipasto, Sole	3 tins \$1.00

The RED & WHITE Store

FREE DELIVERY — BLAIRMORE — Phone 293 M. SARTORIS, Prop.

BUY that USED CAR Now

We have a number of Good Buys in Used Cars

We service all makes of cars and shall be pleased to look after your requirements.

Only the Best Grades of Gasoline, Oils and Greases are carried in stock.

PHILCO and WESTINGHOUSE RADIOS

CROWS' NEST PASS MOTORS

WESTINGHOUSE REFRIGERATORS
 CHEVROLET and OLDSMOBILE DEALERS
BLAIRMORE Phone 105

**We Again Take This Opportunity**

To extend to you Friendly Greetings for Christmas and Wish You Joy and Prosperity in the New Year.

West Canadian Collieries, LIMITED

BLAIRMORE

ALBERTA



The best we can wish for is that, until we wish again, we remain as good friends as we have been in the past

The Bellevue Bakery

HOME OF MOTHER'S BREAD

Phone 74w

BELLEVUE

Again we thank our many Customers in the
Crows' Nest Pass for Patronage during
1935 and wish you one and all the
The Compliments of the Season

S. J. PURDY

"COAL"

LUNDBRECK

ALBERTA

Heartiest Greetings of the Season
to our Many Friends and Patrons

Central Meat Market

Venc. Krivsky, Prop.

Phone 294

Blairmore

**TO OUR SUBSCRIBING AND ADVERTISING
PATRONS:**

The festive season gives us an opportunity, not only
to extend to you a warm and timely greeting, but
also to express our appreciation of your favors of the
past twelve months.

That Christmas may be a Merry and Bountiful
one and that the coming year may bring an abundance
of all that makes life worth living for you and
yours is our sincere and friendly wish.

THE BLAIRMORE ENTERPRISE

"SAY IT WITH FLOWERS"

Flowers and Plants Make Acceptable and Very Appropriate
Christmas Gifts.

F. M. Thompson Ltd., our Agent at Blairmore

Frache Bros., Limited

"Quality Florists"

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ALBERTA



Heartiest Wishes for your Health and Happiness
throughout the Christmas Season
and the New Year

Crows' Nest Pass Motors

Chevrolet and Oldsmobile Cars
Philco and Westinghouse Radios

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THE PASS EIGHTEEN YEARS AGO
(The Blairmore Enterprise, 1917)

July 27.—P. Turner Bone, provincial secretary of the Canadian Patriotic fund, has acknowledged receipts totalling 25,302.69 from the Rocky Mountain constituency, collected between September 1, 1916, and June 30, 1917.

The Trusts & Guarantee Company, trustees for the bondholders of the Rocky Mountain Cement Company, threatened to tie up Blairmore's light service as a means to force a settlement of purchase or lease.

This week the High River Times remarked: "The Blairmore Enterprise in a recent issue gave an accurate report of the deliberations of the municipal council of that town, in which every expression made was published. In discussing municipal matters, considerable blasphemy was in order and the printer ran short of dashes before he completed his report."

A teacher in the Frank school was giving a lesson in mathematics and English. "A fathom," she said, "is a nautical word used in defining distance. It means six feet. Now, I want some little girl to give me a sentence using the word fathom." Instantly a hand shot up in the rear of the room. "Well, Mary, you may give your sentence." Mary stood up proudly: "Bartlett is a fathom, because he has six feet."

Dr. DeMartigny intends to purchase a Chevrolet car with the returns from sale of his 1898-model quadraped.

The following shipment was made by the Frank Red Cross this week to the central depot at Calgary: 12 slumber coats, 3 pairs operating socks, 3 pairs bed socks, 24 kit bags, 24 pillow slips, 76 hotwater-bottle bags, 18 slings, 60 handkerchiefs and 5 towels.

Roosters in town are continually shouting "Chataqua!" Chataqua appears here on August 10 to 16.

August 3.—Fred Goddard has received word that his brother Harry has been severely wounded in action. Harry left here with the 192nd Battalion.

Arthur Shearer has opened a garage and repair shop in the building next to Gresham's blacksmith shop.

August 10.—The town council of Blairmore voted to remit the \$50 license fee to Chataqua, upon a motion by Councillor Christophers, and supported by Councillor Mike Rosse, who felt that much good could be accomplished by such institution, and that an after effect would be that in a very short time he and others would be packing bibles around instead of the wicked bottle.

Word has been received from France that Private Andrew Bower has been wounded in action.

Born, on August 10th (today), to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McDonald, a daughter.

The Trust & Guarantee Co. have offered to lease the Rocky Mountain Cement Co's light line to the town for about \$25 per month.

Miss Alice F. Roofe has secured a position on the Blairmore teaching staff. The resignation of Miss K. B. Darrach has been accepted by the board, and Miss Vivian J. Keith becomes teacher of Grades IV. and V.

**NEW PROCESS FOR
CHILD BEARING**

Doctors have, during the past quarter century, been very particular that the conditions surrounding a "baby case" were warm and sanitary. With the best of care, difficulties often present themselves.

With this in mind, the case of Mrs. Alton Jourdon, of Sanford, N.C., is especially interesting. She slipped over a well. Everything went black. She soon found herself in icy water, holding on to a newborn babe.

Her husband, working in a field nearby, hearing her cries, rescued her.

It is to be hoped that women wanting quick, easy deliveries will not take this too seriously and go jumping in a well.

**THE TWENTY GREAT SHORT
STORIES OF THE BIBLE**

One of the impossibilities of life is the part that religion plays in human affairs. Wherever man has existed there is some sort of religion. Whether he practices the tenets of his faith or not, every man needs the solace of religion.

The bible is the largest selling book in the world today. It is one of the greatest collections of short stories known. So rich is the bible in literary treasures that any attempt to list the best stories in it, leads to great differences of opinion.

This list was compiled by James S. Stevens in his critical volume, The English Bible.

1 Joseph, Gen. 37-48. 2 Balaam and Balak, Num. 22-24. 3 The Capture of Jericho, Joshua 6. 4 The Wars of Gideon, Judges 6-8. 5 Jephtha's Daughter, Judges 11. 6 Samson, Judges 14-16. 7 Ruth. 8 David and Goliath, 1 Samuel 17. 9 David and Jonathan, 1 Samuel 18-20. 10 Elijah and the Prophets of Baal, 1 Kings 18. 11 Naboth's Vineyard, 1 Kings 21. 12 The Ascension of Elijah, 2 Kings 2. 13 Esther. 14 The Three Hebrew Children, Daniel 3. 15 Daniel in the Lions' Den, Daniel 6. 16 Jonah. 17 The Good Samaritan, Luke 10: 25-37. 18 The Prodigal Son, Luke 15: 11-32. 19 The Lame Man of Bethesda, John 5-19. 20 The Shipwreck of Paul, Acts 27.

**REFERRING TO THE
LIQUOR AD. BAN**

The weekly press offers no protest to sharing with others in reasonable steps which may be necessary to bring government costs into line with revenue. But it does protest against this unreasonable penalty directed against a hard-pressed industry when no person or institution is the gainer thereby.—Hanna Herald.

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May Your Christmas Be Happy
And Your New Year Prosperous

J. E. GILLIS

BARRISTER and SOLICITOR

BLAIRMORE

ALBERTA



We wish you a Merry Christmas, right heartily;
Lots of friends to give you greeting;
A season filled with blessings.

The Greenhill Hotel

T. H. DUNCAN, Manager

BLAIRMORE

ALBERTA

To the People of the
Crows' Nest Pass

Christmas Greetings

We wish to extend to you the Season's Greetings, hoping that you may have A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year, and that there will be many good things in store for you in 1936



International Coal & Coke Co., Ltd.

COLEMAN

ALBERTA

Greetings - -

AT THIS FESTIVE SEASON—

our thoughts revert gratefully to our customers, whose goodwill, loyalty and patronage have made possible our progress and prosperity during the past year.

WE WISH YOU ALL A HAPPY CHRISTMAS

HOTEL ROYAL

"MODERN - COMFORT - LOW COST"

Right in the Heart of the City
Corner 2nd St. W. and 8th Ave.

C. B. BARRELL, Manager

CALGARY, ALBERTA



AMONG our assets we like to count the only one that money cannot buy—your goodwill, and as we like to think of you—not as a customer alone, but as a friend, there is no better way to express our friendship than by the old, old wish that grows dearer throughout the ages.

"A Merry Christmas"

SENTINEL MOTORS

A. M. MORRISON

Dealers in —

BUICK and PONTIAC CARS and G.M.C. TRUCKS - GENERAL ELECTRIC RADIOS - REFRIGERATORS - WASHING MACHINES and other HOME APPLIANCES

COLEMAN

ALBERTA

TO you, all good friends, who have done so much to make this a year of pleasant associations, heartiest wishes are extended for a Happier and more Prosperous New Year.

BLAIRMORE MOTORS

CHARLES SARTORIS, Manager

Chrysler and Plymouth Cars

Sparton, Rogers and Northern Electric Radios

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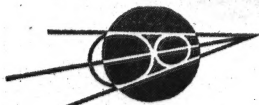


WISHING the People of the Crows' Nest Pass the Very Best Compliments of the Season and

invite you to call in and see the

NEW FORD V8 FOR 1936

Now on Display in our Showroom



"Watch The Fords Go By"

RED TRAIL MOTORS

Fumagalli Bros. Props.

General Garage

Blairmore, Alberta

JUST 'FORE CHRISTMAS

Father calls me 'William, sister calls me 'Will,
Mother calls me 'Willie, but the fellows call me 'Bill;
Mighty glad I ain't a girl—rather 'Tis a boy;

Without them sashes, curls and things as worn by sister 'Joy.
Love to chomp green apples an' go swimmin' in the lake.
Hate to take the castor oil they give for belly-ache.

Most all the time the whole year there ain't no flies on me,
But just 'fore Christmas I'm as good as any one can be.

Got a yeller dog named 'Sport,' sick him on the cat.
First thing she knows she don't know just where she is at.
Got a clipper sled and when us kids go out to slide,

'Long comes the grocery team, an' we all hook a ride.
But sometimes when the grocery man is worried or in cross,

He reaches at us with his whip an' larrups up his horse,
An' then I laugh an' holler, "Oh you never touched me, see,"

But just 'fore Christmas I'm as good as any one can be.
Grandma says she hopes that when I get to be a man,

That I'll be a missionary, like her brother Dan,
Who was 'et up by cannibals that live in Ceylon Isle.

Where every pleasure pleases, an' only man is vile.
But Grandma she has never been to see a wild west show,

Nor read the life of Daniel Boone or else I guess she'd know
That Buffalo Bill an' cowboys is good enough for me,

Except just 'fore Christmas when I'm as good as I can be.
And then old 'Sport' he hangs around so solemn like an' still,

His eyes they seem to say, "What's the matter, little 'Bill?"
The old cat sneaks down off her perch an' wonders what's become

Of them two enemies of hers that used to make things hum;
But I am so polite an' tend so earnestly to biz,

That mother says to father, "How improved our 'Willie is?"
But father having been a boy himself, suspicious me,

When just 'fore Christmas I'm as good as any one can be.
For Christmas with its lots and lots of candies, cakes and toys,

Was made, they say, for proper kids and not for naughty boys.
So wash your face an' brush your hair, an' mind your p's and q's,

And don't burst out your pantaloons, and don't wear out your shoes.
Say 'jessum' to the ladies, an' 'jessir' to the men;

An' when there's company don't pass your plate for pie again;
But thinkin' of the things you'd like to see upon the tree,

Just 'fore Christmas be as good as any one can be.
Though man criticizes woman for her extravagance, she never wastes two dollars' worth of shotgun shells to get a 25 cent rabbit, says an exchange, to which the Shelburne Free Press adds: "Maybe not, but look at how much powder she often wastes to get a no-account man."

The committee in charge of the East Kootenay Musical Festival have decided that there will be no festival at Cranbrook in 1936, owing to financial difficulties. It is hoped, however, to hold a festival in 1937. It is understood, states the Cranbrook Courier, that arrangements may be made with the Crows' Nest Pass Festival committee for holding these festivals on alternate years at Cranbrook and Blairmore. This, they claim, would greatly enlarge the scope of the organizations and assure better festivals at each place.

CHRISTMAS PRAYER

(By Sidney May)

Dear Lord, upon this Christmas day,
So many hearts are filled with pain,
For we, like sheep, have gone astray,
And cannot find Thy path again.

We, in our greediness, have chained
Thy weaker sons to poverty;
Of Christmas all that has remained
To them is but a mockery.

They feast not, neither do they sing,
Nor does their children's mirth ring out;
Although they worship Thee as King,
Their anxious hearts are filled with doubt.

Alas, alas, that they must hold
Their Christmas in Gethsemane,
For lo, they fear the cross of gold
That makes their lives a Calvary.

Oh, grant us this, that we may find
The path that Thou wouldst have us tread;
That we may leave all greed behind,
And walk with Brotherhood instead.

That selfishness be cast aside;
That riches may not blind our eyes;
That charity will with us abide,
And love be our most cherished prize.

So then we may at last give praise,
And Thou shalt know we are sincere
Upon this greatest of all days—
Most joyous time of all the year.

For a number of years, at this time we have received a message of good will from our old friends and former residents of Frank, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Drumm, which has always been accompanied by a package of their own grown assorted nuts. On Monday this week, the looked for package arrived. Mr. and Mrs. Drumm desire to be remembered to all friends in The Pass, wishing all a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

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A Christmas Story by Prunella Gay

THERE is something very delightful about sitting around a big log fire on Christmas evening, roasting chestnuts and telling stories, and this is one of the few pleasant habits which my own family has developed. The most impressive evening I can remember occurred several years ago. There were eight of us there, the



curtains were drawn, the lights extinguished, and we all sat staring into the flames of the fire, while Uncle Joe began his story.

"First of all," he said, "I would like you to know that I do not believe in ghosts, curses or unseen powers, but I have been warned not to relate this story, because those who have told it have always been known to die after relating it. I have a great desire to tell it, simply because I should not, but if I die . . ."

"Have you made out your will, Uncle?" asked twenty-year-old mercenary-minded Gloria.

"Yes, Gloria," replied my uncle with all seriousness, "it is locked in the small drawer of my bureau, but don't buy lilies at this time of the year, chrysanthemums are cheaper."

"It depends on the extent to which I benefit," laughed Gloria.

We then lapsed into expectant silence and Uncle Joe continued:

"Many years ago a rich and beautiful society woman, whom we will call Lady X, had a daughter, Isa, who was very fond of hunting. Unfortunately Isa was thrown one day from her horse, and trampled upon. There was little hope for her life the doctor said unless an immediate blood transfusion could take place. Several of the servants offered themselves and after applying the usual tests it was found that only one—an old gardener—would be of any use.

"Oh, James," cried Lady X to the gardener, "You shall be richly rewarded. I would give my right arm for Isa's recovery!"

"Sad to relate, James died a month after the transfusion. The doctor said it was natural causes, his wife said it was due to the loss of blood, and when he lay dying he said to her, 'You'll be all right, mate, Lady X promised me something. She said she'd give her right arm for the girl's recovery, and, by jove, she shall if she don't make you comfortable!'

"But somehow in the excitement of Isa's recovery, the reward was forgotten. The head gardener installed another man in James's cottage and James's wife and son were asked to move elsewhere.

Here Uncle Joe's voice dropped almost to a whisper.

"But there were some sinister powers at work," he continued, "for within six months Lady X had lost her right arm which was removed through cancer.

"The years passed by. Isa married and went to live abroad, and Lady X, through living on her own, became somewhat eccentric. She suddenly had a fear of dying, inasmuch as she was not perfect, and, believing that only the perfect in mind and body could enter heaven, she thought she would not be admitted. She consulted with her old lawyer, Jarvis, who lived on the estate, and who managed her affairs.

"To appease her troubled mind the old man suggested that she should have a duplicate arm made of solid gold. This should be buried with her and then he said: 'When Peter sees you and realizes how much more valuable you are than the rest, he will doubtless let you in first.'"

"The arm was made and when her time came Lady X was called to rest and the golden arm was buried with her. In her endeavour to obtain eternal bliss the good lady bequeathed a heavy penny to the Church and poor old lawyer Jarvis, who had hoped for happiness in his old age through a consideration that Lady X had promised him, was left penniless. His mind suddenly became obsessed with the golden arm and he could not sleep at night for the thought of the treasure that lay buried in the grim vault. Day and night a still small voice cried in his ear 'Get that arm! Get that arm!' until Jarvis eventually found himself at the entrance of the vault, which happened to be open for renovation, one bloody Christmas Eve.

"He descended the stone steps. Perspiration poured from his forehead as with quickened pulse he made his way to the coffin of Lady X, then with a screwdriver from his pocket he unfastened and raised the lid. With satisfaction he viewed by the light of a candle the peaceful expression on the alabaster face of Lady X.

"She's in heaven all right," he murmured. "Now she won't need her arm, at which he raised the winding sheet and

stealthily removed the heavy golden arm.

"He hurried back to the little house in which he was temporarily living and which had once been the home of old James, the gardener. In an enormous iron safe and over a roaring fire he intended melting down the gold. As he raised the arm to the pot two faint knocks on the door broke the awful stillness of the house. Trembling with fear, he hid the arm and went to the door. There was no one without. Only the wind howled and the snow piled up in evergrowing depth, shone white as the face in the coffin.

"Old Lawyer Jarvis was unsevered, melting operations were suspended for the night and he crept between the sheets and hid his head. When morning broke, the red glow of the sun descended upon the world, and Jarvis wondered why he had been afraid. What is there in the darkness that does not exist in the light? He tried in vain to answer the question; but

Come what may he would put it in the pot now. He lowered it. As he did so the window rattled violently and two thumps, heavier than ever before, shook the door, and indeed the whole house. Jarvis threw the arm from him with a cry. He tried to be calm. 'It's only the wind and the snow,' only the wind and the snow, he said to himself between gasps for breath. 'Only the wind. . . . He was very feeble. Summoning his courage he opened the door.

"The moon was clouded over, but Lawyer Jarvis could see a dark figure without, the figure of a man whom he recognized, the figure of a man who was dead. . . . Gardener James! There was silence for a moment then the figure said slowly, but deliberately, 'I want my arm!'

"Next day the village learnt that Lawyer Jarvis had died the previous night of heart disease. What a coincidence it was that Gardener James's son—the very spit of his father when he was his age—had turned up in the village! Quite by chance he happened to be employed by the firm of undertakers who were attending to Lady X's vault which was to be permanently sealed. On second thoughts, was it by chance? After all, Lady X had said to his father: 'I would give my right

The Birth of a Carol

"Good King Wenceslas"

THE romantic story of this famous carol has almost become so hackneyed at Christmas time that the people who sing it forget the hero prince who is the central figure of the Wenceslas legend.

"Wenceslas" was officially banned by the Austrian army as being an unpatriotic tune during the Great War. Unluckily was the ordinary soldier who even hummed the curious lilting melody to alleviate the grimness of war!

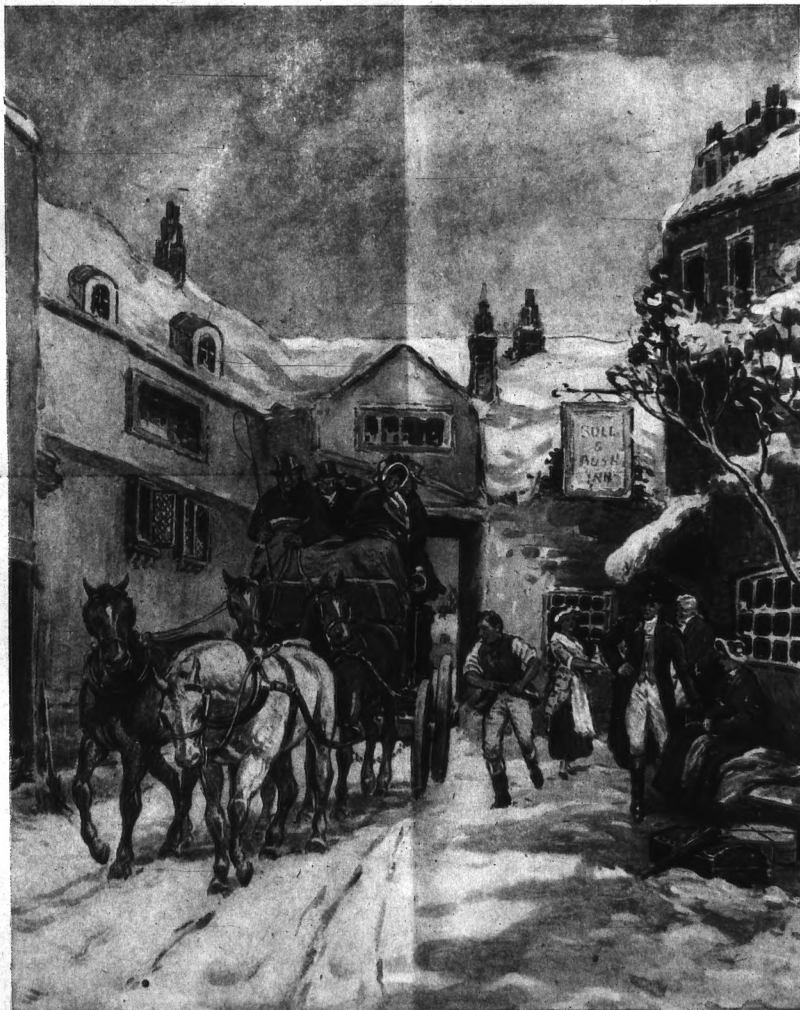
This "Wenceslas" tune is not exactly the same as that of our own familiar carol. It is Wenceslas canticle, which for nearly five hundred years has been a Czech National Anthem. It has not always been a carol of peace, or even of Christianity. It was almost a war cry during the revolution of 1848, when the Czechs revolted against Austrian terrorism. There is a quotation of two lines of this carol mentioning St. Wenceslas, on the enor-

stormy time when, at the age of only eighteen, he took over the reins of his kingdom.

His kindly, generous nature enabled him to win through when success in battle



alone might have proved fatal. In the end it was his success which resulted in his martyrdom, for his brother Boleslav (not a Christian) eventually became jealous of his power.



CHRISTMAS TIME IN OLD ENGLAND

he did know that in the darkness one made contact with the invisible.

"That Christmas evening the melting pot and arm were again brought out. Jarvis was happier. He knew there was nothing to worry about. With confidence he lifted the lump of gold; with broken nerve he dropped it again as two knocks, louder than those of the previous night resounded on the door. With shaking hands he withdrew the bolt. Again there was no one there; only the snow lay deeper than the night before and the moon was fuller and the wind higher. Certainly, he decided, the knocker was loose. He would tighten it up in the morning. Thus the melting pot was again abandoned. Lawyer Jarvis decided that his nerves were bad, that he had better wait. New Year's Eve might be a good opportunity . . .

"And so, by December 31st he had found courage to proceed with his horrible task. Melting pot and arm were ready. He lifted the gold slowly and listened. There was no sound without. He held it over the pot, trembling, but defiant.

arm. . . . Anyhow, the debt was settled at last."

Uncle Joe sighed as he finished the story and we all clapped loudly.

"But when do you die, Uncle?" asked Gloria.

"It must be after the story is related, Gloria," said my Uncle, good-humouredly. "I can't die before, now."



mous statue of the King himself in a public square at Prague.

Our own Wenceslas carol has a less warlike history. The carol as we know it today is Protestant. The words were written by the man who wrote "Jerusalem the Golden"—the Reverend J. M. Neale. Has it ever struck you that although carols should be cheerful, the tune of "Wenceslas" is almost gay for any church festivity? Actually, the quaint medieval tune which we now associate with Wenceslas's adventures on the feast of Stephen was previously that of a special hymn for the springtime. The reverend author based his carol on the National Anthem of the Czechs, and one of the most famous King Wenceslas legends is used as the theme.

Although the Wenceslas carol is a Protestant one, St. Wenceslas is a Catholic saint, who was martyred just over a thousand years ago.

Wenceslas was born in 907, and was the grandson of Ludmilla, the first Czech saint, but he was also a descendant of the first Christian prince of Bohemia, and Wenceslas seemed cut out for a very

The King was invited to a banquet at his brother's palace, and late that night they conspired to murder him, but the wine was too strong and they lost their courage! On waking early the following morning, they realized that they might be discovered if they did not act quickly. Wenceslas set out for church on his way home, but Boleslav's supporters and followers had made sure that the church was locked and barred so that Wenceslas could not find sanctuary.

Wenceslas's own brother tried to strike the first blow, and the King, in self-defence, managed to catch the sword and throw it on the ground. One of Boleslav's henchmen then attacked the King in the back, and after a brief struggle Wenceslas was martyred for his faith.

That much is true. But Wenceslas's kind nature caused a number of beautiful legends to grow up about him. The one thing we can be certain of is that he did make regular pilgrimages out into the country to help his poor subjects, for it was this elementary form of socialism which resulted in Wenceslas being able to unite his principality.

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Local and General Items

Bullivant has been re-elected mayor of Medicine Hat.

About the only thing that will stop falling hair is the floor.

The Bible Institute is to have a broadcasting equipment at Edmonton.

Sometimes when a bride-elect is being feted, we wonder if she isn't being defeated.

Randolph Bruce's election campaign in East Kootenay cost in the neighborhood of \$2800.

Mrs. E. Bernard and son Fraser, of Lethbridge, are visiting with her parents at Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. William Fraser.

By recent amendment to the School Act, the term "elector" shall not include anyone who is not a British subject in districts that have been established ten years.

Blairmore won from Lethbridge Mapleleaves on Saturday 8-2, while Medicine Hat Monarchs downed Bellevue Bulldogs by 3-2. The former game was played on Blairmore ice, the latter at the Hat. On Monday night, the Bearcats were handed a defeat by the Coleman Canadians, 10-1. Blairmore plays at Coleman to-night.

The marriage of Miss Lillian Mary Turner and Mr. Floyd Dexter Smith, both of Beaver Mines, was quietly solemnized at the Pincher Creek manse at 3 o'clock on Monday afternoon, December the 9th. Rev. N. W. Whitmore officiated. Mrs. A. Kyelo attended the bride, and Mr. C. D. Smith the bridegroom. Only immediate relatives were present at the ceremony.—Pincher Creek Echo.

The government is giving consideration to a plan to set aside a special fund to accommodate school teachers, all with a view of trying to prevent "note scalping." In many cases school districts have been unable to pay the teacher in cash. The district gave a note instead, a document many found to their sorrow could not be discounted at the bank. There's where the local note scalper stepped in. He would buy up the note at a tremendous discount, in some cases only a few cents on the dollar. Then the scalper would turn in the note at its face value as a tax payment. Law offices of the government agree that there is nothing illegal about such a transaction, though the moral aspect would be entirely different.—The Standard, Shaunavon, Sask.

Well, friends and fellow citizens, 54 per cent of the voters of Alberta voted to give the plan a trial, for the promise of \$25 monthly dividend was very alluring. Personally we have already been deprived of the equivalent of the dividend by the Government's action in banning that wicked liquor advertising, so even if we get the dividend in 18 months, we will still be short in purchasing power. Shame, Mr. Aberhart, that you should have so deceived us, and ignored our complaint. But, says Mr. Aberhart in effect, you newspaper fellows opposed me at the election, therefore I'll show you, despite all your arguments. So there you are! We get the hook. Excuse us if we bore you, but this "kolyum" simply has to be filled, otherwise our critics will say we are getting lazy.—Coleman Journal.



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THE BLAIRMORE ENTERPRISE

Local and General Items

The High River Times recently celebrated its thirtieth birthday.

From the F. M. Thompson Co. we received the first calendar for 1936.

Kisses may, they claim, shorten life in man. But life in man doesn't shorten kisses.

Mrs. G. A. Passmore was a recent visitor with her daughter Nina, R.N., at Nelson.

An exchange remarks: "Girls, keep away from the boys' heads. The wax will ruin your blouses."

A machine so delicate it registers the pulling power of a flea has been assembled. Now to learn the tensile strength of a "binding treaty."

I'm not afraid of going to the hospital, mother. I'll be brave and take my medicine, but I ain't going to let them palm off a baby on me like they did on you. I want a pup.

A hunter in the Highwood district was relating his experiences of the season. He was asked if he had had much trouble getting a prairie chicken; he replied: "Not what you'd call trouble, but I did have to run a long way. On the trail of the chicken, I passed two coyotes, one antelope and a lot of jack rabbits, but it was chicken I was after, and chicken I got."

There are folks in the Crows' Nest Pass who are somewhat peeved with us because we once in a while publish something not exactly favorable to Mr. Aberhart and his regime. But how would they feel if Aberhart attempted to cut into their incomes to the extent of from \$20 to \$50 per month. They sure would have no use for Aberhart and would regret having voted that way.

Salt is a very valuable commodity and, in addition to its use for seasoning and preserving foods, enters into a number of industrial processes. It is used in the textile dyeing industry, in the manufacture of kraft paper and sheet glass in the form of salt cake. There is a large consumption of salt cake in the United States which is supplied from three sources, from the Brine deposits in California and Texas, chemical manufacturers who use the sulphuric acid method in manufacturing hydrochloric acid and imports from foreign countries, chiefly Germany and Belgium. Canada supplies about 12 per cent of the total imports and stands third as a source of supply, according to the Industrial Department of the Canadian National Railways.

On the eve of the departure of Dr. and Mrs. R. P. Borden for Eastern Canada and England, members of the Coleman Girl Guides Association assembled and presented Mrs. Borden with a fitted travelling case on behalf of the Guides of Coleman, Blairmore, Bellevue, Hillcrest and Lundbreck, forming the Crows' Nest division. Another pleasing event was the presentation of warrants by the Commissioner as follows: district commissioner's warrants—Mrs. L. L. Morgan, for Blairmore and Coleman; Mrs. F. Utley, for Bellevue, Hillcrest and Lundbreck. Brown Owl warrants to Mrs. Williams and Mrs. L. Morgan; divisional secretary warrant, Miss R. Morrison. A "Thank You" badge, in acknowledgement of her services as quarter-master at Rock Lake camp, was presented to Mrs. Westworth.

